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## Mobutu renews ties with Israelis

WASHINGTON, May 15 (Agencies) — President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire has re-established diplomatic relations with Israel after a lapse of nine years, Israeli sources said here Friday.

The move breaks the near total isolation of Israel among African countries. Zaire and Israel had close diplomatic, scientific and economic ties until the 1973 War when virtually all the countries in Africa broke with Israel. The only exceptions were Lesotho, Swaziland and Malawi.

Onachman Shai, a spokesman for the Israeli Embassy here, hailed Zaire's turnaround as "a positive development." He said Israel also was pleased with Costa Rica's decision earlier this week to move its embassy from Tel Aviv back to occupied Jerusalem.

Israel seeks world acceptance of occupied Jerusalem as its capital. Most countries that deal with Israel, including the United States, shun occupied Jerusalem by maintaining their embassies in Tel Aviv, showing that they do not consider the control of the city a settled issue.

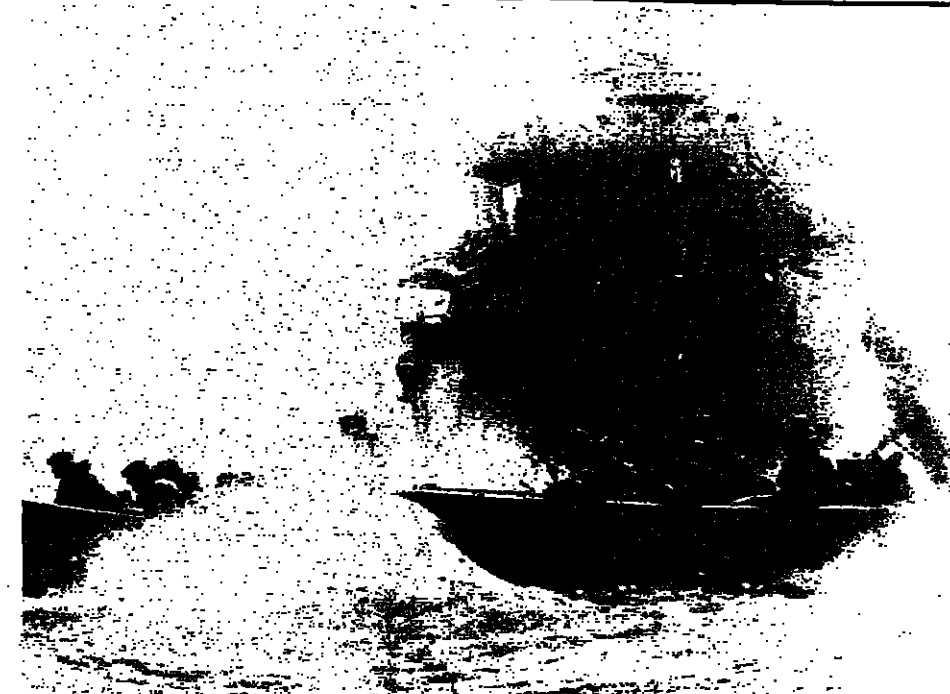
Mobutu said during a visit here in December that he was prepared to renew ties with Israel but would not act until other black African states considered joining him. They did not, but after Israel's final withdrawal from the Sinai, Mobutu decided to act alone, according to sources who asked not to be identified.

In Tunis, the Arab League Secretary General Kubi said the transfer of the Costa Rican Embassy to occupied Jerusalem was a provocative and "a flagrant violation of U.N. resolutions and international law."

In a statement issued Friday, he added that the Costa Rican move was "support of aggression and occupation and contrary to the principles for which Costa Rican people have fought and for which Latin American people have fought and still fight." Costa Rica informed Israel Wednesday that it was moving its embassy back to occupied Jerusalem.

Jordan Saturday criticized Zaire's decision to reestablish relations with Israel. Messages from the Jordanian Foreign Ministry to the Organization of African Unity, the Organization of Islamic Conference and the Arab League noted that Zaire had broken its diplomatic ties with Israel along with 20 African states in protest against Israel's "aggressive and expansionist policies."

Zaire had also signed the declaration of the first Afro-Arab summit in Cairo in 1977 which condemned "Zionism and racism" in Africa, Palestine and occupied Arab territories.



BRITISH RAIDERS: The amphibious assault ship HMS Fearless stands by as rigid craft of the First Raising Squadron, Royal Marines trains off Ascension Island.

## Breach of law, Soviets say U.K. forces raid airstrip

LONDON, May 15 (Agencies) — British forces raided an Argentine-held airstrip on the Falkland Islands Friday night, destroying aircraft and ammunition, the Defense Ministry said Saturday.

A ministry spokesman described the attack as "a raid and not an invasion," indicating that it may have been the first assault on the Falklands involving British ground forces.

Military analysts believed the attack was carried out by British commandos. Ministry spokesman John Wright said the airstrip was on Pebble Island, to the north of west Falkland. All previous raids announced by the Defense Ministry have been against east Falkland.

He told reporters: "The forces concerned have as planned, now rejoined the task force. All returned safely with only two minor casualties." It was the first time the Defense Ministry had hinted at the use of ground troops, although British military analysts believe that some British commandos have been on the islands for weeks.

News of the latest military action broke a few hours after Britain's envoys to the United Nations and Washington arrived here for talks with the government on the Falklands peace negotiations at the U.N.

Sir Anthony Parsons, British ambassador to the U.N., is briefing the government on his peace talks with Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar. He is expected to see Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Foreign Secretary Francis Pym Sunday.

Talking to reporters on arrival here Saturday morning, he made it clear that the conflict with Argentina could quickly come to a head. "There will be a general expectation when I get back to New York on Monday that things will move very rapidly one way or another," he said.

As the crisis appeared to be reaching a make-or-break stage on the diplomatic front, the government left no doubt that it was prepared to order an invasion if negotiations failed. In a tough speech Friday night in Perth, Scotland, Mrs. Thatcher told a Conservative Party conference that if U.N. talks failed "we should have to turn to the only other course open to us." Speaking at Perth Saturday Pym gave a similar blunt warning.

Meanwhile, the Soviet Union has stepped firmly into the Falklands crisis for the first time, telling Britain it is breaking international law by its military actions.

Britain's ambassador to Moscow, Sir Curtis Keeble, was summoned to the Soviet Foreign Ministry Friday and told that Moscow regarded Britain's imposition of exclusion zones in the South Atlantic as unlawful.

A statement read to the ambassador by Vladimir Suslov, head of the ministry's second European department, said Britain had arbitrarily declared vast expanses of the high seas closed to ships and aircraft of other countries. These actions clearly contradict the 1958 convention on the high sea and, consequently, are regarded by the Soviet side as unlawful, the statement said.

**U.S. bases figure in Athens parley**

ATHENS, May 15 (Agencies) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig met Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu Saturday hoping to set the stage for a new agreement on U.S. military bases without inflaming Greek-Turkish tensions.

Haig arrived from Ankara, his first stop on a week-long overseas trip, where he called for the two Mediterranean rivals to resolve their disputes over the Aegean peacefully.

In his Ankara remarks, Haig sought to sidestep a delicate issue posed by Greek calls for Washington to issue a statement backing Greek sovereignty in event of outside attack — a veiled reference to Turkey. Greece has interpreted an April 19, 1976 letter from then-Secretary of State Henry Kissinger as a promise to back it in case of an attack.

Haig, asked repeatedly whether the Kissinger letter remained valid, said: "I'm aware that there's a letter of the kind referred to, in the files, and that's where it is." Renewal of the U.S. commitment is one of the conditions set by Papandreu's Socialist government for renewing its approval of four major U.S. military bases in Greece.

Haig was met on arrival by Greek Foreign Minister Ioannis Haralambopoulos and other officials. Haralambopoulos said the talks here would lay the groundwork for a meeting between Prime Minister Papandreu and President Reagan in West Germany next month.

## To review Gulf war GCC ministers postpone meeting

**Gulf Bureau**

KUWAIT, May 15 — The foreign ministers of the Gulf Cooperation Council postponed their extraordinary meeting here to the end of the month to allow "the member states more time for further consultations and contacts in order to come out with a united Arab stand with regard to the issues facing them."

In a departure statement at Kuwait airport, the Kingdom's Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal said the conference of the six Gulf Arab states did not issue a communique because the meeting will remain open as the ministers will resume their meeting May 30 in Riyadh. "Contacts are going on," he said "to deal with the present situation in our region generally."

The GCC which groups the Kingdom, Kuwait, UAE, Qatar, Bahrain and Oman, decided to hold a special meeting to study the situation in the region, specially the ongoing Iraq-Iran war which has taken extraordinary dimensions recently with a major battle for Khorramshahr, threatening to flare up any time with grave losses for both sides.

Two days before the meeting, the GCC Secretary General Abdullah Bishara said in a press interview that all Arab states must share the financial burden of supporting Iraq in its war with Iran.

"It is totally unacceptable," he was quoted as saying "that the Gulf states should bear the burden alone, especially as they shoulder other commitments regarding crucial issues."

Bishara said the realities in which the Gulf lives today require a clearer and more serious Arab stand toward the war, which constitutes a direct threat to the other states of the region and an attrition of their potential.

"It was on this premise that the emergency meeting of the foreign ministers had to be called," he said.

Before Saturday's meeting commenced, Kuwait's Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad requested reporters not to ask questions as the ministers were not authorized to answer them at that stage. At the end of the meeting, Prince Saud said it was found necessary to allow the governments concerned more time to bring about "a crystallized Arab stand about the situation in our region, specially as regards the Iraqi-Iranian conflict."

**Abadan damaged**

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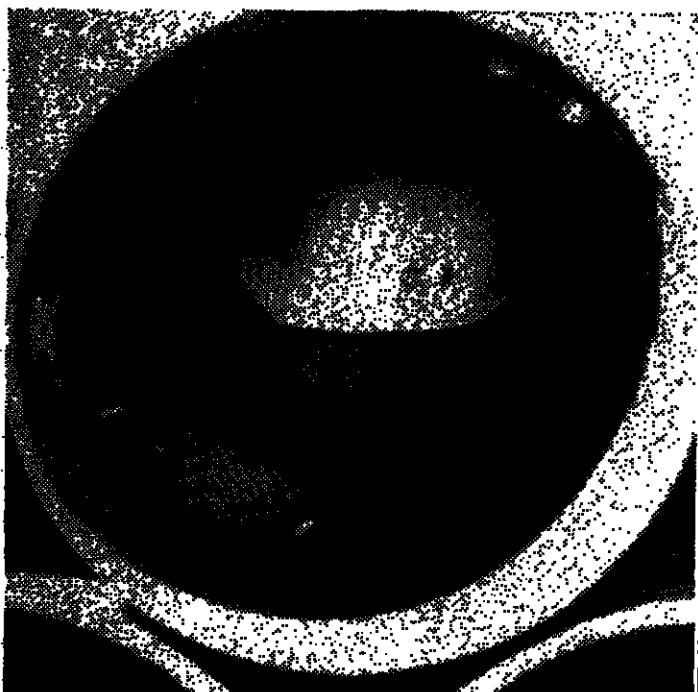
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## Kingdom, Korea agree to promote cooperation

SEOUL, May 15 (R) — Saudi Arabia and South Korea have agreed to promote capital and industrial links and increase trade, agricultural, technical and cultural cooperation, a government spokesman said Saturday.

The agreement was reached at a four-day government-level joint committee meeting which ended here Saturday.

The two sides will work for the establishment of joint ventures between their firms to make steel products, petrochemical items, including petroleum gas storage facilities, chewing gum and desalination equipment, the spokesman said.

The Saudi Arabian side agreed to consider a \$50 million improve Korean port facilities and financial aid for economic development projects being undertaken with the help of \$353 million loans from the World Bank.

The Kingdom's delegation also promised favorable consideration for long-term supplies to Korea of crude oil and liquefied petroleum gas. Both sides agreed to promote joint ventures in the Saudi industrial development. Saudi Agricultural personnel will train here. South Korea also will send medical doctors and railroad technicians to Saudi Arabia.

### Pakistan team due

ISLAMABAD, May 15 (SPA) — A Pakistani Religious Affairs team will visit Saudi Arabia as of next Thursday to make arrangements for accommodation, transport and medical facilities for some 50,000 pilgrims going for pilgrimage this year, it was officially announced here.

The first ship carrying pilgrims will sail from Karachi to Jeddah on July 30, while the first plane transporting pilgrims will take off for the journey on August 20 the officials said. They added that 11,000 pilgrims would be leaving by sea and 39,000 by air.



DISPLAY: A view of the art exhibition of educational methods organized by Jeddah schools and opened Saturday by Abdul Rahman Al-Uthman, girls' education director in Jeddah. The show, the second for educational methods, art and women's activities, is held at the 75th School. More than 200 female teachers and students have contributed about 450 explanatory works and 400 paintings and handicraft. The event lasts 10 days.

## Madinah's SR10m project okayed

MAKKAH, May 15 (SPA) — A project will be commissioned soon for building temporary toilets in Madinah at a cost of SR10.2 million. The 182 toilets to be installed under the contract will include 130 for men and 52 for women.

According to Sheikh Abdul Malik ibn Duhaish, vice-chairman of the prophetic haram's affairs, said Saturday that the toilets will be constructed in two sites. The first will be at the southern part of Tuwaiya, near the Prophet's Mosque, while the second will be in Rahba. Sheikh Duhaish said. The project is expected to be completed within three months and the contract provides for necessary items in the toilets including water closets — overhead and underground — water connections, a sewage system and electricity, the official said.

In a separate development, Acting Makka Mayor Abdullah ibn Siddiq said Saturday that an SR5.6 million contract has been

awarded for demolishing buildings which are about to fall. A national company won the contract. A SR6.3 million contract also has been awarded to another national firm for maintaining street lighting in Makka, Bahrah and Shumaisi.

Siddiq said a SR2.6 million project has been commissioned for a lighting the Muzdalifa and Arafat towers. Other projects being implemented by the municipality include asphalt of 10 major streets in Makka, he added.

## Directorate building SR129m schools

MADINAH, May 15 (SPA) — A total of 41 educational projects are being implemented by the regional directorate of girls' education at an overall cost of SR129.36 million. Ali Al-Murshid, Madinah director of girls' education, said Saturday that the projects include buildings for the directorate, its annexes, warehouses and a number of schools in the region and its dependencies. He said the directorate has so far implemented 42 projects worth SR193.71 million, which included several schools in Madinah, Badr, Wastah, Fraish, Qunfuzah, Abu Dabaa, Taima, Mahd, Hanakia, Suwaidra, Lahm, Thaad, Ola, Wajh Tabuk and other places.

On the other hand, Murshid said that 2,023 girl students will sit for the intermediate and 1,151 for secondary school examinations this year. Tracing the directorate's

### Powder milk dealers warned

DAMMAM, May 15 (SPA) — Powder milk importers and merchants in the Eastern Province were advised Saturday to comply with the pricing system approved by a ministerial decision.

The Eastern Province Chamber of Commerce and Industry said in a circular to all dealers and importers of powder milk that the prices of this item has been fixed after a study by the Commerce Ministry on current import costs and the permanent subsidy granted by the state. The ministerial decision, based on the study, had fixed the maximum price.

The circular reassured powder milk prices to customers in Dammam, Riyadh, Jeddah and nearby towns, while at the same time referring to punitive measures under a decision of the Council of Ministers pertaining to offenders of the supply regulations.

development during the past five years, he said that in 1977/78 there were only five schools outside Madinah, which rose to seven in 1978/79, then to nine in 1979/80, 18 in 1980/81 and 25 in 1981/82. The number is expected to rise to 50 during 1982/83 he added.

Inside the city, he said, there were only four schools in 1977/78, five in 1978/79, seven in 1979/80, 10 in 1980/81, 17 in 1981/82 and 26 in 1982/83 academic year. He added that the directorate is concerned for the development of educational complexes, and has constructed an intermediate school

and an intermediate college in Shih area at a total cost of SR11 million.

In Oiba area, the directorate set up a secondary school and a college of education at a cost of SR8.5 million, he said. Primary, intermediate and secondary schools, one each, were built in Harra Al-Sharqia area at a cost of SR11 million. Similarly, one each of such schools, an educational building and parking areas were built in Awalli area at a cost of SR34 million. A total of SR45 million was spent on the construction of a primary, an intermediate and a secondary school, besides a kindergarten, a teachers hostel and a library in Masane area, he added.

## Governor inspects flooded areas

BURAIDAH, May 15 (SPA) — Governor of Qasim Prince Abdul Ilah toured Saturday urban and rural areas hit by rains and floods last week.

His tour took him to Bukatriah, Hilal, Khabra, Sahabin, Riyadh Al-Khabra, Badaie and Unaizah. He also saw Rummah valley which was still under the impact of floods.

The prince met with a number of citizens in their homes to acquaint himself with their safety. Sulaiman Al-Duraibi, director gene-

ral of municipal and rural affairs in Qasim, and a number of officials accompanied the governor during his inspection tour.

In another field visit, Rashad Mukhlis, assistant undersecretary for social affairs, arrived in Baha Saturday leading a team of high officials of the ministry. He called on Baha Governor Ibrahim ibn Abdul Aziz ibn Ibrahim and reviewed with him social affairs projects of the region.

The delegation has plans to inspect social affairs sectors in the region during the visit.

## SASO board to discuss budget

RIYADH, May 15 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Standards Organization's board meets here Sunday under Commerce Minister Soliman A. Solaim, its chairman, in its 49th session.

The meeting will deal with SASO's budget for the fiscal year 1982-83. Discussions also will cover some modern national standards and other administrative issues.

Meanwhile, the organization organized Saturday a lecture on standard and specifications at its headquarters here. The lecture, which comprised screening of films specializing in standards and quality control, is attended by a group representing the first scientific course on line standard and production quality control. The course is organized by Jeddah King Abdul Aziz University's college of engineering and SASO.

## Prayer Times

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Fajr (Dawn)	4:17	4:13	3:44	3:28	3:52	4:18
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:17	12:18	11:49	11:36	12:00	12:30
Asr (Afternoon)	3:34	3:43	3:14	3:05	3:29	4:04
Maghreb (Sunset)	6:53	6:59	6:31	6:20	6:45	7:18
Isha (Night)	8:23	8:29	8:01	7:50	8:15	8:48

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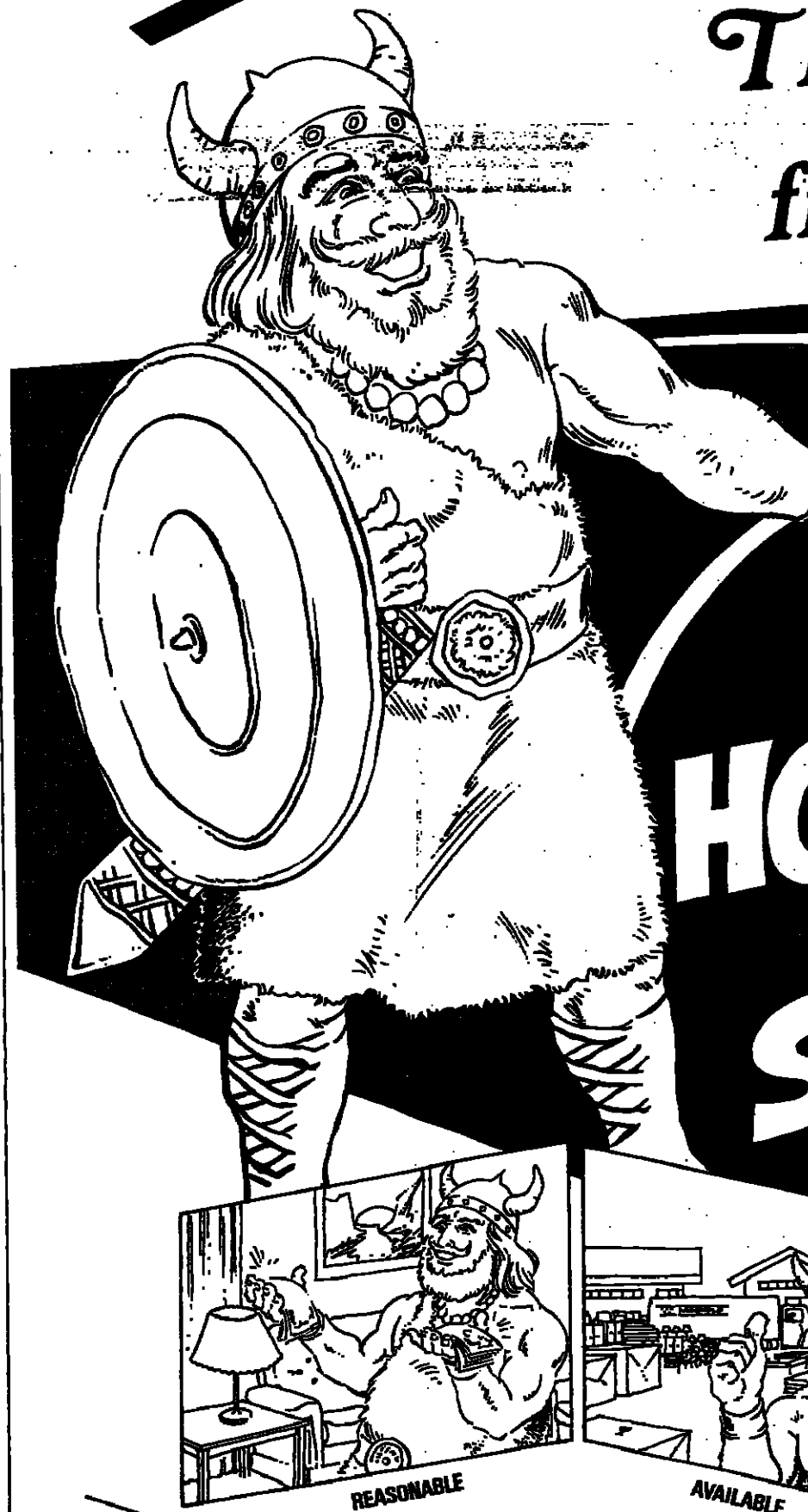
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## Foundation views SR234m budget

JEDDAH, May 15 (SPA) — Prince Abdullah Al-Faisal chaired a meeting of the board of trustees of King Faisal Welfare Foundation here Friday. Prince Khaled Al-Faisal, governor of Asir and foundation's director general, and Prince Saad Al-Faisal, a member of the board, attended the meeting.

Prince Khaled later stated that the board discussed the foundation's estimated budget of nearly SR234.4 million for the fiscal year 1983 and approved the allocations. Out of this sum, SR14.5 million was allocated for charitable projects; SR2 million for scholarships and SR15.5 million for long-term charitable projects such as the King Faisal Center for Research and Islamic Studies, he added.

Prince Khaled said SR106.6 million has been allocated for real estate investments SR79.8 million for agricultural, animal hus-

andry and economic projects and SR16 million for meeting the current expenses of the foundation and its projects. He added that expenses will be covered from the foundation's investments revenues and cash donations to be received during 1983.

The prince said the foundation's budget allocations are spent on welfare and investment projects which increase the foundation's revenue and, consequently, enhance its charitable activities.

The King Faisal Foundation was established under a royal order in 1976 by the sons of the late King Faisal. They contributed the initial funding for the organization. The foundation's funds are invested to build up capital and reserves and the net income is used to support philanthropic programs, projects and grants.

The foundation's provisional budget announced for 1982 was SR275 million of which SR16.5 million was allocated for charity spending and overed scholarships, assistance and research. Revenues for 1980 had amounted to SR344 million, and SR200 million during the first nine months of 1981.

Established to pay tribute to the departed leader and carry out his noble message of keeping the banner of Islam fluttering high, the King Faisal Foundation has initiated international Islamic prizes granted annually to Muslim pioneers. The King Faisal International Prizes (KFIP) include one for service to Islam, another for Islamic studies, one for Arabic literature and the fourth, recently introduced, deals with medicine. This year's prizes were granted in February.

## Safwa works on sewerage

SAFWA, May 15 (SPA) — Safwa Municipality has begun work on the town's sewage, purification stations and house connections project which costs SR179 million, officials announced Saturday.

Safwa Mayor Mubarak Al-Tamim said that the project will be completed within two years. He added that there is a model slaughter house project also under construction now at a cost of SR1 million. Another SR5 million worth project for asphalt, illumination and paving is under way in Hizam Ummul Sahek, he said.

unique airconditioned squash courts with wooden floor and glass panels in the rear; a sauna and health club and a 25-meter swimming pool. The staff is a selection of 200 Filipino, Sri Lankan, Egyptian, Thai, European and Saudi hotel specialists.

The hotel also has a small conference hall that can accommodate between 50 and 60 persons. A bus service to selected places downtown planned for hotel guests and for users of the recreation facilities. The beautifully landscaped gardens are irrigated through a unique underground waterline system.

## Hotel plans summer opening

By Ahmad Shaaban  
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, May 15 — Al-Bilad, the latest first class hotel in this port city will be officially inaugurated later this summer though a soft opening has taken place in May and part of the hotel's 155 rooms, five suites and 40 bungalows are already occupied, Anton J. Good, the hotel's general manager said.

The hotel, overlooking the sea at the Corniche highway between the new King Abdul Aziz International Airport and downtown belongs to Prince Muhammad bin Fahd bin Abdul Aziz. Movenpick Hotels International Company is operating the place. It already has to its credit the "Orangerie" restaurant in Riyadh, "Jolie Ville" beneath the Pyramids in Cairo, and many other successful ventures in Europe and the Middle East.

One of the major assets of Al-Bilad-Movenpick is that it is more of a resort than just a hotel. Rooms Division Manager Andreas Pitschke Delabro says: "We hope that in view of our proximity to the airport, which a customer would take 10 to 15 minutes to reach by car, we shall also be able to attract stopover clients and air crews." Delabro is an admirer of Saudi Arabia but thinks that the country needs good public relations abroad. "Before coming here, no one could imagine that it is such an interesting country," he says.

The hotel braces two Movenpick restaurants; modern bowling center with 20 fully automatic bowling lanes; four tennis courts, including two with lightings for night play; three

## Archeological seminar begins

RIYADH, May 15 (SPA) — An archeological seminar began here Saturday, organized by the Riyadh-based Arab Gulf Educational Bureau, to consider the possibility of publishing an illustrated guide of archeological sites in the region. The proposed guide will be in Arabic with a resume in either French or English.

The three-day seminar is attended by officials of museums and archeological departments in the Gulf region, a representative of the Arab Universities Union and a few experts from the Kingdom's universities and the Ministry of Higher Education.

A working paper prepared by the bureau also is to be studied during the deliberations. It contains a study on an archeological atlas of the Gulf region. Besides, the seminar will discuss the region's geography together with its civilizations, languages and arts which left their impact on various regions of the world.

Saudi Arabia is represented by Dr. Abdullah Al-Masri, assistant education undersecretary for cultural affairs and director general of museums and antiquities at the Ministry of Education.

## Liberian leader leaves

JEDDAH, May 15 (SPA) — Liberian President Samuel Doe left here Saturday for Algeria after a two-day stop-over in Jeddah.

## Abdullah chairs sports rally

RIYADH, May 15 (SPA) — Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, attended the third annual sports rally of the National Guard Club here Saturday.

Following a welcoming speech, Nasser Al-Umar, director general of Guard's sports affairs, reviewed the development of athletic activity and the royal patronage it enjoys from Prince Abdullah and his deputy Prince Badr. The development of sports at the Guard has kept pace with the all-round development in various sectors, especially in the military sector, he said. Work at the sports affairs department is undertaken on modern and practical lines and in accordance with a specific annual program, he added. The sports activities aim at preparing the soldier for all sports meet and occasions inside

and outside the Kingdom, he said.

Later, different teams participated in soccer matches, field and track games, boxing, wrestling, weight lifting, basketball, volleyball, handball, high jump and gymnastics.

At the close of the events, Prince Abdullah gave away Guard's shields to representatives of various organizations and media men. The prince then opened the annual exhibition of Guard's various activities.

Meanwhile, Umar stated that all achievements were due to the directives given by Prince Abdullah to develop the sports at the Guard.

The rally was attended by Prince (Capt.) Miteh ibn Abdullah, commander of the Guard's military school; Commerce Minister Dr. Sulaiman Al-Solaim and a large number of Guard's civil and military officials.

## Minister approves dam, wells pacts

RIYADH, May 15 (SPA) — Agriculture and Water Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh has approved awarding a SR15.2 million contract for drilling four tube-wells and a SR4.5 million contract for building dam. Both contracts are to be awarded to national companies.

The dam, made of prefab concrete, will be built west of Qaraen town. Seven meters high and 120 meters wide, the dam will have a storage capacity of 750,000 cubic meters of water. Two outlets will control the outflow of water. A suspended flyover will be constructed over the barrage. Expected to be completed after 12 months,

the dam will serve Waqet town as well. The project is part of the Agriculture and Water Ministry's efforts to revive the agricultural movement in the country.

Meanwhile, the four tube-wells, to be dug between Hasi and Tanacet towns, are designed to boost the Sudair water project.

Each well will be drilled to a depth of 1,600 meters with an estimated capacity of 1,000 gallons of water per minute. The wells represent the first phase of the Sudair water project which will feed most towns and villages in the region. They are expected to be completed within 12 months.

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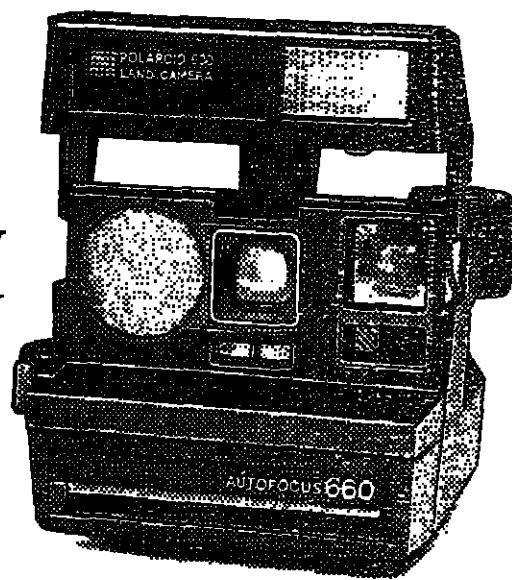
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## Assad, Qaddafi mull plan to isolate Egypt

BEIRUT, May 15 (R) — Syrian President Hafez Al-Assad arrived in Libya Friday for talks designed to counter moves by some Arab states to improve relations with Egypt.

The official Libyan news agency reported Assad's arrival and said he had met Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi but it did not give details of their talks. In Damascus, Syrian officials said Assad would also visit Algeria and the aim of his tour was to coordinate opposition to moves by Arab states toward restoring normal relations with Egypt.

All but three Arab states decided to impose a political and economic boycott on Egypt after it signed a peace treaty with Israel in 1979. But since Israel handed back to Egypt the last section of the occupied Sinai in April some Arab governments have been seeking ways of improving relations with Cairo.

### Fairbanks gives report to Haig

ANKARA, May 15 (AP) — U.S. mediator Richard Fairbanks arrived here from Cairo and presented U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig with a first-hand report on his discussions with Israel and Egypt on resuming the stalled Palestinian autonomy talks, the official Middle East News Agency said.

Fairbanks arrived in Cairo Tuesday and discussed with President Hosni Mubarak and top Egyptian officials obstacles facing the autonomy talks. The U.S. sponsored talks, started 1979, are stalled because Israel insists they be held in occupied Jerusalem and Egypt refuses. An American proposal that the talks be held in Washington has been rejected by Israel.

The U.S. envoy, who visited Israel before coming to Cairo, outlined "some new ideas" based on his talks, to Egyptian Foreign Minister Hassan Ali Friday, the newspaper *Al-Ahram* said.

The government news agency said Ali asserted Egypt's position that the Palestinians should have full autonomy during a five-year transitional period specified by the Camp David accords. Ali said the Israelis should create the proper atmosphere to encourage the Palestinians to join the Camp David process.

### West Bank Arabs defy Israelis

TEL AVIV, May 15 (AFP) — Young Palestinians in the occupied West Bank marked the 34th anniversary Saturday of the creation of the Jewish state in Palestine with demonstrations and by boycotting classes.

The most serious incidents were in Nablus and at the Balata refugee camp at the entrance to the northern town. In Balata, young people chanting pro-Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) slogans waved Palestinian flags. A Palestinian source said the army had clamped a curfew on the camp. In the town itself, Israeli troops dispersed high school children with shots in the air.

To the south, in Halhul, Palestinian flags flew from schools in defiance of a two-week curfew. Witnesses reported that at nearby Daerya, Israeli troops, which have blockaded the village all week, had strengthened barbed wire barriers and received reinforcements.

Palestinian schools were on strike, but at West Bank universities, notably Bir Zeit and An Najah, in Nablus, Israeli troops barred students from entry.

### Kaddoumi may visit America

BEIRUT, May 15 (AFP) — Farouk Kaddoumi, Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) "foreign minister," might go to the United States in mid-June at the invitation of a group of Congressmen, the Lebanese newspaper *Al-Nahar* reported Saturday.

Quoting the PLO observer at the United Nations, Shadi Tarazi, *Al-Nahar* said that the invitation came from Lee Hamilton (Democrat, Indiana), president of the European and Middle East Affairs Committee in Congress.

In New Delhi, it was officially announced that PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat will pay a three-day official visit to India from May 21 at the invitation of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

### 2 Lebanese soldiers killed in ambush

BEIRUT, May 15 (AFP) — Two Lebanese regular army soldiers were killed Saturday in an ambush by members of the dissident "Army of Arab Lebanon" near the southern port of Sidon, it was reported. Eleven other soldiers and two dissident militants were wounded.

Correspondents in Sidon said three Lebanese army jeeps were burned out by rockets fired in the ambush. Tension was high in the port city with sporadic gunfire Saturday morning and there were unconfirmed reports of mutual kidnappings by ALA and the regular army.

### BRIEFS

ANKARA, (R) — Former Turkish President and Prime Minister Celal Bayar, who was sentenced to death some 20 years ago after a military coup but then pardoned because of old age, celebrates his 100th birthday this weekend.

CAIRO, (AP) — President Hosni Mubarak said Saturday the political liberalization begun by the late President Anwar Sadat would continue and urged Egyptians to double their productive capacity.

WASHINGTON, (R) — Four U.S. scientists said Friday more study was needed to see how vulnerable Egypt's Aswan Dam would be to big earthquakes. Concern for the safety of the dam, one of the world's biggest water-power projects, arose last November when a quake rocked an area 65 kms from the site and slightly damaged some buildings in Aswan town.

## Bomb blast injures 4 in Iran mosque

BEIRUT, May 15 (AP) — Four persons were injured when a bomb exploded Saturday morning at a Tehran mosque named for Iran's leader Ayatollah Khomeini, the official Iranian news agency Irna reported.

Irna said the Khomeini Mosque was located in south Tehran, on the opposite side of the capital from Khomeini's residence and offices. The bomb, concealed in a handbag, had been left in the mosque's reception office, Irna said. It exploded at 8 a.m. local time (0630 GMT) just before the weekly meeting of members of the Islamic Association of Bazaar and Guildsmen, a group of about 500 Khomeini loyalists, according to the agency's dispatch.

The explosion shattered windows in the mosque, Irna said. It said none of those injured was seriously hurt. The brief report gave no indication of the victims' identities. While no specific group was blamed for the bomb Irna concluded its dispatch by saying: "Past experience has shown that any time a victory is achieved in the warfronts, counterrevolutionaries carry out such futile activities in a vain attempt to distract the people's attention from these achievements."

## Dost hopes Geneva parley will yield practical results

ISLAMABAD, May 15 (R) — Afghan Foreign Minister Shah Muhammad Dost hopes for a practical outcome from United Nations-sponsored talks in Geneva next month involving his country and neighboring Pakistan and Iran. Radio Kabul reported Friday.

The radio, in a broadcast monitored here, said Dost told a correspondent of the Soviet newspaper *Izvestia* that Afghanistan's proposals for the talks were to some extent flexible. The talks are scheduled to start in Geneva June 15 with the United Nations Secretary General's personal representative on Afghanistan, Diego Cordovez, acting as an intermediary between Dost and Pakistan Foreign Minister Shahabzada Yaqub Khan.

Pakistani President Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq has said that Iran would not participate in the talks at foreign ministers' level but an Iranian representative would be available and would be kept informed of progress. "We hope a practical outcome will be achieved from the forthcoming negotiations," Dost said.

Since Soviet troops intervened in Afghanistan at the end of 1979, there have been several attempts to bring Afghanistan, Iran and Pakistan to the negotiating table to settle

the Afghan issue. Mainly procedural arguments about the status of participants and the agenda have frustrated them.

Pakistan refuses to talk to the Communist government of Afghan President Babrak Karmal without a U.N. intermediary because this would imply recognition of his Soviet-backed administration.

### 7 Turkish Cypriots jailed for smuggling

LONDON, May 15 (R) — Seven Turkish Cypriots were jailed for between four and 12 years in London Friday for smuggling heroin worth \$10 million into Britain from Turkey and the Netherlands.

The seven, all residents of London, had in 1979 and 1980 carried out the biggest smuggling operation ever known in Britain, the prosecution told London's central criminal court. Ahmet Bekir, 43, a pickle-factory owner, was given 12 years. Sedat Sonmez, 22, Fuat Bekir, 26, and Rifat Halluma, 27, each got nine years.

Sedat Karpatatepe, 22, and Hilme Mustakalli, 25, received four-year terms while Ibrahim Mustafa, 36, got six years.

## Pakistani army team honored by North Korea

TOKYO, May 15 (AP) — A Pakistani military friendship delegation visiting North Korea was honored by the North Korea's Ministry of the People's Armed Forces at a party in Pyongyang Friday night, the official Korean Central News Agency (KCNA) said Saturday.

KCNA said Lt. Gen. Kim Gwang Jin of the Korean People's Army told the gathering that the visit by the Pakistani delegation "would go a long way toward further developing the friendly relations between the Korean and Pakistan peoples and armies."

It said Kim wished the Pakistan people and army under President Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq "new success in their future struggle for the grandeur and prosperity" of Pakistan and its defense. Gen. Sawar Khan, deputy chief of army staff of the Pakistan army and leader of the delegation, told his Korean hosts: "You have made a big advance in all domains under ... Kim Il-Sung."

Sawar said they wished the North Koreans "greater progress and prosperity under the guidance" of Kim.

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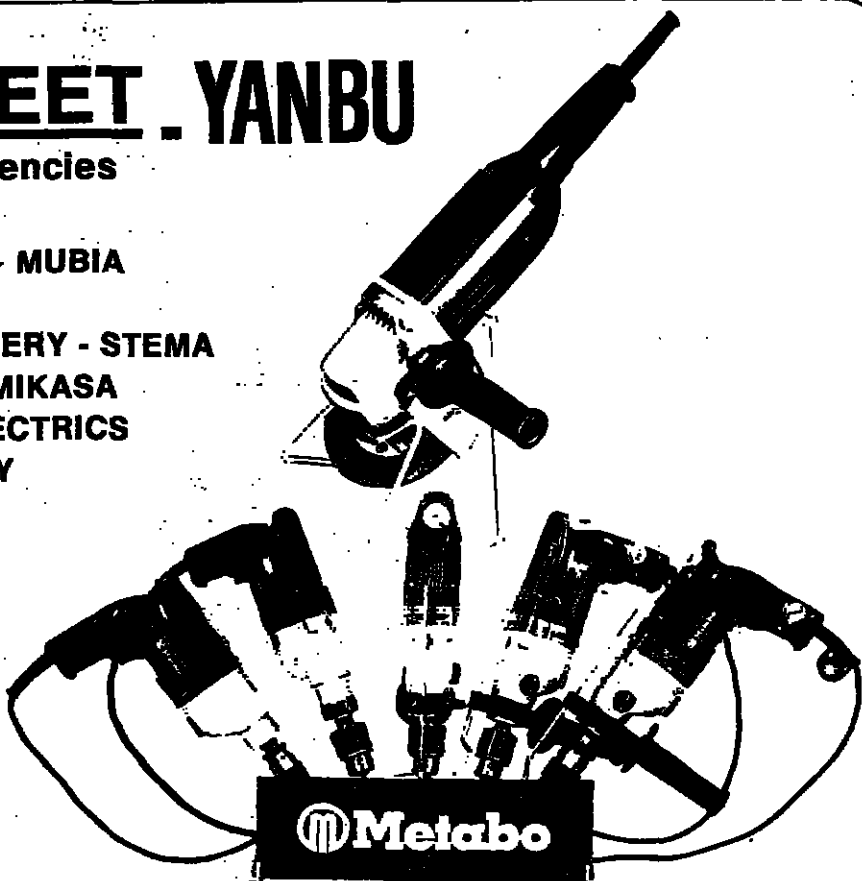
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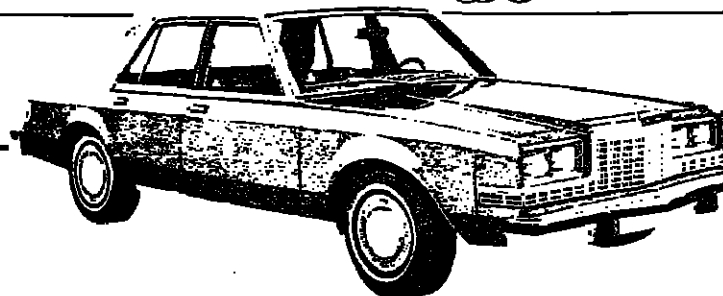
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## Egyptian reformation Dramatic changes made to benefit antiquities

By Steven K. Hindy

CAIRO, Egypt, (AP) — When Muhammad Abdel-Hamid Radwan toured the Egyptian Museum, he was appalled: dirty floors and dingy walls, faulty fire protection equipment, broken toilets, priceless antiquities displayed like bric-a-brac.

The casually dressed Egyptian did not tell the ticket saleslady, who had no change, the loafing cleaners or the guard puffing on a cigarette under a no smoking sign that he was minister of culture, and thus keeper of Egypt's ancient treasures and master of the museum.

He returned to his office, dismissed the museum director, saleslady and many others. The dramatic premiere of Egypt's first full-time minister of culture in seven years drew little attention, coming as it did 12 days after the assassination of late President Anwar Sadat, who appointed Radwan on Oct. 1, but Radwan's purging of the museum appears to have been the beginning of a revolution in the culture ministry.

The museum is now getting \$11.6 million facelift, its exhibits are being reorganized and Radwan has won the admiration of many who considered the museum a disgrace.

The 41-year-old lawyer, who in 1971 was the youngest man ever elected to the People's Assembly, followed the museum purge with a string of surprising moves, all showing a flair for publicity and Egyptian politics, and a drive to restore dignity and prestige to Egypt's cultural heritage.

With President Hosni Mubarak's approval, Radwan signed the order to raze Sadat's residence and many other summer bungalows near the great pyramids south of Cairo. The ostensible reason was that seeping sewage was eating the foundations of the monu-

ments. Radwan traveled to London to ask the British Museum to return its piece of the Sphinx's beard. Radwan wants to use the missing part, together with fragments in the Egyptian museum, to restore the beard and forestall the danger of its head toppling off.

He does not rule out other requests for the return of some of the tens of thousands of Egyptian artifacts in museums from New York to Leningrad, but he said such requests will always be linked to restoration.

To the dismay of King Tut fans, Radwan signed a decree banning the display outside Egypt of the 55 richest pieces of the Tutankhamon collection.

He was responding to an uproar in the parliament over the slight damage done to Tut's death mask while on display in west Berlin. "You can never insure proper safeguards for these things, and if the plane goes down, no amount of insurance will restore these artifacts," he said.

Radwan said his hand picked antiquities organization director, Ahmad Kadry, pushed through the final improvements needed to open the "Solar Boat" museum beside the pharaoh Cheop's pyramid. The museum houses the magnificent, 43-meter-long wooden boat.

Radwan says the reason he can change things now is that there is a full-fledged ministry for culture. For seven years before, culture had been the second responsibility of the minister of education or information.

Radwan brought to the job a reputation for working long hours during a six day week and a knowledge of politics culled from 11 years in parliament, the last four as speaker.

Recently Radwan was on television selling parliament a plan to locate a \$90-million museum complex on the southern tip of Zamalek. He also is pressing for a new museum in the southern city of Aswan.

### Millions at stake

## Italian battle rages for U.S. drug trade

By Michael Sheridan

PALERMO, Sicily (R) — Mafia members in Palermo are battling each other and the law over a deadly heroin trade to the United States worth millions of dollars a year. About 60 percent of the heroin sold in the eastern United States passes through here, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) agents say. Twenty percent of the West Coast supply is also blamed on the "Sicilian connection."

The stakes are high and the hills that ring Palermo form a natural battleground in the murderous struggle between the rival "cosche," or families who are estimated by the DEA to have made at least \$600 million since 1976 from heroin.

Few people inquire deeply into the Mafia's lucrative trade and live long to talk about it. Deputy Police Chief Boris Giuliano tried — he was killed by unknown gunmen in 1979. In the same year a tough judge and a police captain were also killed.

The latest to try is investigating Magistrate Giovanni Falcone, whose predecessor was killed, has sent 76 accused Mafia boss for trial.

The 1,500-page indictment names members of the Gambino, Inzerillo, Spatola and Maggio clans and gives an insight into the workings of the racket.

Informed sources here, however, say that although the indictment is revealing, it does not cover some new trends:

— In 1980 a series of laboratory raids and arrests led police to hope they had begun to turn the tide. In fact, the Sicily-New York route is just as profitable as ever for the gangland chiefs.

— Police discovered a huge refinery making pure heroin from morphine base in a seafaring villa on Feb. 11. But the sources say police are aware of at least three other refineries operating in the Palermo region.

— The Sicilians let down their guard and hired French chemists. But when several were arrested and one foreigner turned informer, the Mafia closed ranks tightly again.

— Despite years of work the DEA and Italian police admit they are aware of only about 10 percent of the deals. And the Reagan administration is cutting the DEA's budget this year.

Across the eastern Mediterranean the boats criss-cross, bringing arms and cash from the Mafia in return for unimpeded

supplies of the drug. Police sources in Sicily say the entry point is Catania, on the east coast.

The "cosche" make enormous profits from each transaction.

A kilo (2.2 pounds) of morphine base bought by the Mafia for \$8,000 can be refined into a kilo of heroin worth \$250,000 dollars on the U.S. wholesale market.

In Palermo, the Falcone indictment shows, the Mafia's age-old power becomes all-important to guarantee easy access to refining and freedom from close official inquiry.

Testimony from couriers-turned-informers says the favorite routes across the Atlantic for the heroin couriers are the Concorde flights to New York and Washington and other flights from Switzerland to the United States.

The vast sums of money flowing home have made the Mafia sharp businessmen who run the trade like executives of a multinational enterprise.

Falcone returned from Brussels recently after interviewing Belgian courier-turned-informer Albert Gillet who has provided what one police source called "golden information" on the methods used.

Most Mafia still distrust even the most discreet Swiss banks and millions of dollars in cash are hand-carried back to the island regularly.

Rivalry over the cash has spawned a vicious gang war that periodically leaves bullet-shattered bodies in downtown Palermo and is apparently beyond police control.

The Falcone indictment shows how deeply the roots of Mafia corruption run in this deprived city, where the infant mortality rate is high, ancient slums and palaces decay side by side and political power has been sustained for 40 years by the Christian Democratic Party and tradition.

The Mafia investments are an open secret. Driving along the once unspoiled northern coast, the traveler sees construction everywhere: gaudy villas, jerrybuilt apartment blocks and modernistic complexes to cater to the tourist boom that Sicilians say is just around the corner.

In one case, Falcone says, a northern building firm was intimidated into handing over a housing contract to a company controlled by the Spatola clan.

A meeting of investigators in January heard that about 213 businesses, mainly in construction, are under Mafia control.



PICTURESQUE SPECTACLE: Officially classed as one of the 'Seven Wonders of the World,' Egypt's pyramids and many other antiquities are being closely scrutinized by the ministry of antiquities to determine the best way to preserve them.

## International spying at home in Switzerland

By W. Joseph Campbell

GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) — Switzerland's political neutrality, technological achievement and central location have long attracted businessmen and tourists — the same national advantages have also attracted spies — who use Switzerland's neutral territory for their shadowy and sometimes messy business.

The federal ministry of justice and police says 240 cases of espionage have been uncovered in Switzerland since 1948. In two-thirds of the cases, Soviets and other East Europeans were implicated — often operating under diplomatic cover.

In the past 16 months, at least five Soviet diplomats suspected of illegal intelligence-gathering have been ordered out of the country.

"Considering the large number of cases, there's no doubt there's quite a lot of espionage activity in Switzerland," says Ulrich Krebs, a spokesman for the justice and police ministry. "It's very, very attractive for spying, obviously."

Foreign agents in Switzerland have been detected seeking confidential banking information, spying on exiles pursuing industrial and technological secrets and gathering intelligence about third countries.

Perhaps the country's most fertile zone for intrigue is Geneva, which Krebs said seems to hold "a special attraction" for spies. Geneva police concede espionage is an "intense" pursuit in this city, which is home to 122 diplomatic missions, 14 major international organizations and the European headquarters of the United Nations.

Western agents, though their numbers are

understood to be fewer, are also at work. A veteran Geneva police source said that for Western and Eastern agents operating in Geneva diplomats from Third World countries are favorite targets.

"It's an intense fight," said the source, who has served in Geneva's small but efficient counter espionage service. "The two powers are always trying to penetrate Third World countries ... by using diplomats as intermediaries."

A strong Soviet espionage presence has long been suspected at Geneva's sprawling U.N. complex.

For all the activity, espionage rarely produces public sensation in Switzerland. The most memorable case was the trial and conviction in 1977 of a Swiss brigadier general, Jean-Louis Jeanneney, on charges of passing national defense secrets to Soviet military attaches stationed in Bern, the Swiss capital.

Allegations of international espionage often incite diplomatic rows. Federal officials submitted a formal protest to the Soviet embassy in March after two Russian diplomats were ordered out of Switzerland. One was accused of third-country spying, the other, of seeking to induce a Swiss citizen to supply information from the foreign affairs ministry.

The Soviets asserted the incidents were "inventions" and warned the Swiss that such cases could damage bilateral relations.

In 1979, the body of a Soviet diplomat, Leonid Panchenko, was found in the bathroom of a Swiss hotel room, his wrists had been slashed.

Swiss officials and an autopsy showed Panchenko committed suicide. The Kremlin asserted Panchenko was "killed brutally," perhaps by Swiss counterintelligence agents.

### Realtors' ranks plummeting

## Many 'horrors' afflict America's housing market

By Tom Martella  
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WASHINGTON, — John White thought his patience finally had paid off. After years in his maintenance job in North Carolina, he was offered a raise and a new post at the National Health Institute in Bethesda, Md., near here. Eagerly, he and his wife came north house-hunting for a family that included five kids.

"I had to be, unfortunately, the one that broke his heart," says Robert Bornstein, an area realtor. "We don't like to do that. We don't like to lose sales, either."

What White, not his real name, learned about the suburbs girding the nation's capital was this: what passes for middle income down south won't make it in a major metropolitan area. And worse, he discovered how it's practically impossible for a home shopper making less than \$20,000 to secure a place of his own in many parts of the country these days.

"He'd have needed about \$24,000, \$26,000 to stay on the same standard of living he had in North Carolina," says Bornstein, much more than the new salary. White and his wife, disconsolate, turned down the job and drove back home. "It broke your heart," recalls Bornstein. "He and his wife were just sitting here crying."

"Here" in this case is Bornstein's office, a spacious yet quiet place, like many realtors' establishments nowadays. Amid a shocking litany of the horrors afflicting America's housing market for the past couple of years, perhaps one statistic tells it all: Bornstein has seen the ranks of fellow realtors plummet from 5,000 to 3,500 in a year. And that's only Montgomery County, Maryland. Overall, home sales are down about 2 million annually.

Nationally, according to the National Association of Realtors, 65,000 certified real estate salesmen were "lost" in the same period, with membership now riding at about 695,000. The nation is confronting a severe housing dilemma whose bad tidings and grim statistics have trickled down to a myriad of industries and individuals. Construction has slowed to a crawl, logging is off, craftsmen are out of work, savings and loan institutions are facing bailouts, homes stay on the market for months, and would-be, first-time homebuyers are locked into their apartments.

Torrey and others needn't worry about a house shortage, however, despite undisputed claims that it is a buyers' market and people should be picking up bargains. The interest rate, settling at a low of about 15 percent, doesn't appear to be dipping much more. And although home prices in major markets are leveling off, judging from an informal national survey, no one's rushing out to slap "SOLD" on the "FOR SALE" signs decorat-

ing some front yards for more than a year.

Bornstein, whose territory spreads into northwest Washington, as well as upper-middle-class Chevy Chase and over to Silver Spring, details another ironic tale of woe. "This couple came in to buy a \$175,000 home up here," he says. "The people had \$105,000 in cash. They needed \$70,000. "But four banks turned the guy down," Bornstein recalls, shaking his head. "They had \$105,000 cash and they couldn't get \$70,000, the most he could get was \$67,500, max."

"He couldn't qualify. All the banks took the point of view that if he had that kind of money, he could always pull it out and go to Las Vegas and blow it. That wasn't security because it wasn't cash."

The realtor might have been exaggerating about the banks' excuse, but the case is true, and it highlights a dramatic shift in popular notions of both security and housing throughout the United States. "The attitude is inflation will take care of itself," says Bornstein, and others agree that buying a home for oneself, not for speculation, still makes sense. Basically, that means pumping much more of one's monthly income into mortgage payments than in the past. Interest rates again are the culprits.

Says Gilbert Mercutio, the executive director of Westchester County's Board of Realtors in West York, "You wouldn't really say it's tough to get money nationally, it's just expensive. The lowest I've seen is 15½ with three points." Points are a charge for making the loan that, depending on the loan can add thousands to the overall cost of a home.

Translated into the typical monthly mortgage payment which includes principal and interest, the current rate means a \$50,000 loan which a few years ago would be paid off at about \$500 a month now requires nearly \$1,000 a month.

The couple Bornstein mentioned as needing a loan of \$70,000 would have to set aside as much as \$1,500 a month for principal and interest, then. Before lending, a bank would calculate what effect the \$1,500 bite would have on take-home pay and decide if a family could make it. Other fixed costs of home ownership are property taxes, which can range nationwide from mere hundreds to thousands of dollars annually; insurance; and for condominium owners, association fees that can climb as high as 15 percent of the monthly mortgage payment.

While a Census Bureau survey notes that in 1980, the average monthly mortgage payment was \$365 compared to \$172 in 1970, these figures don't present the complete picture today. Included in the survey are old, cheaper loans with monthly costs that appear ridiculously low — for example, a \$180 a month payment for an 1,800-sq.-ft. home in a medium-sized town, where the mortgage rate

probably was about 6 percent 25 years ago. Triple the interest rate and you don't merely triple the payment, both inflation, meaning a higher selling price, and the method of compounding interest could mean a boost of nearly five times the payment fixed 25 years ago.

With shoppers unable to qualify for loans, then, realtors and sellers have been devising a variety of ways to keep homes moving on the market. So-called "creative financing" matches individual needs and abilities, and often steers clear of the banks.

"We're for the most part ignoring the banks" for financing, says Teresa M. Digiacomo, a real estate broker in Coconut Grove, near Miami, Fla. She says homebuyers in that area, where the average home is priced at \$165,000, arrange with the seller to assume an original bank loan, or "take back a second." That means providing the seller with a hefty down payment and allowing him to pay off his bank loan at the fixed rate, while the buyer pays the seller off at a higher, but still affordable rate.

Those who do take advantage of the lull in the furious, inflation-fueled price storm are working with the seller — if they have cash. If not, a trek to the bank's lending officer reveals that a home of one's own may mean a considerable gamble. A wealth of variable rate mortgages, or "balloon payments," are the answer for some buyers. For the first years of a mortgage, the interest rate — and therefore, the monthly payment — is fixed. The rate, which now can be as low as 12 percent, will either "balloon" gradually as the years pass, or make one big jump after, say, five years, depending on the individual arrangement.

"I am concerned about what happens five years from now when all those loans come through," says Bornstein, who guides his clients past such deals. "The pitch is, (after five years) that's okay, refinance. I don't know if there's enough money in the world to do that."

Another exaggeration, perhaps, but one worth considering. Indeed, banks that approve loan applications for variable mortgage rates do so considering the initial rate, whatever it may be. If the inflation spiral ceases and wages don't increase, buyers face foreclosure if income won't stretch over the rising monthly mortgage. Of course, other variable rates are set up to climb and fall depending on overall money markets. Borrowing on these terms is still a gamble, however.

Even with all the fancy financing, some realtors flatly state there simply isn't the money to satisfy all housing needs. In a sense, that's got to be true, or interest rates wouldn't be as high as they are. "There's nothing left out there to borrow," claims William Ellingsworth, an assistant to the executive vice president of the National Association of Realtors

(NAR). "The government's going to have to pay that interest rate." Ellingsworth isn't asking for freebies, though. Just a little federal aid to squeeze more buyers into the market.

Ellingsworth says that every time the mortgage interest rate rises a point, another 500,000 potential buyers are out in the cold — they simply won't qualify for bank loans. According to NAR figures, sales of existing homes in January dropped to an annual rate of 1.8 million, about half needed to satisfy demand. February's rate rose, but was still down 26.6 percent from the same time last year. New home construction has also been strangled by high interest rates, with about 900,000 projected for the year based on January's rate.

Joining the NAR in its call for government help is former Vice President Walter Mondale, who recently told the building industry that "absolutely savage interest rates" are "destroying the central source of credit for housing in America" — the savings and loan institutions. Some of these S&Ls, facing extinction, are trying to survive by redirecting their role from the initial mandate. Founded for providing low-cost funds for housing," says Ellingsworth, the S&Ls now lend only 20 percent of their capacity for commercial ventures and 80 percent for home loans. But the institutions want freedom to loan most if not all of their funds to commercial borrowers who can more easily meet higher interest rates.

Ellingsworth says that his organization has projected more than 3.2 million lost sales since 1979. The NAR calculates that this 54.7 percent decline in market activity, now progressing beyond the fortieth month, comes to \$229 billion lost. In addition to that, the NAR figures that another third of the lost billions also has disappeared, for every home sale generates other business, such as sales commissions, renovation and redecorating costs, lawyer fees, and so on.

Compared to previous hard times — for example, the 1973-75 economic tailspin, or that of 1969-70 — the current period is far worse, the NAR figures suggest. In the mid-70s, \$17.4 billion in sales was lost, while several years earlier, \$5.6 billion was lost. More worrisome is the fact that the percentages of decline were so much lower — in 1969-70, 19.9 percent down; in 1973-75, 18.4 percent down.

Solutions to the problems have emerged, but none has the clout or reach to offset a sluggish economy and tight money. Still, Ellingsworth views one bill in Congress that would provide help for sales of new homes as encouraging, although he says the bill by excluding existing homes would not help most homebuyers. Usually new homes are built in the suburbs, as well, he says, and "You're saying 'Buy a home in the suburbs or forget it.'"

Realtors also are closely watching government maneuverings on what are known as "due-on-sale" regulations, those that can require full payment of a home loan when the borrower sells his home. They restrict the buyer from assuming the old loan at the lower interest rate instead getting a new loan at a higher rate. NAR chief economist Jack Carlson says federal legislation overriding state laws forbidding such due-on-sale requirements "would squeeze thousands of people out of the home-purchase market since assumptions are one of the primary means being used to purchase a home."

One result, of "due-on-sale" demands are "silent sales," which beat high financing costs by keeping the S&Ls or other lenders in the dark — simply not telling the bank, for example, when you sell your home. These secrets naturally cost the S&Ls dearly, for they have billions of funds tied up in loans that are returning well under 10 percent annually. Rolling over loans like these would boost profits. But rollovers come only with new financing, which usually comes with sales — and of course, knowledge of sales.

## Doctors link abnormalities, 'cot death'

LONDON (LPS) — The "cot deaths" of more than 1,000 babies in Britain each year could be due to abnormal heart and breathing rhythms.

When an electrocardiogram is taken of newly born babies, about one percent have a rhythm abnormality — and some of these abnormalities are associated with sudden deaths in adults.

These observations of Dr. David Southall, senior research fellow of the British Heart Foundation, are being tested in a research project he has set up.

He said: "It is tremendously important that the cause of cot death is discovered because it is something that has a shattering effect on parents. There is no known cause, but parents often feel that they are at fault."

A total of 7,500 apparently healthy babies had their heart and breathing monitored for 24 hours at one week and at six weeks after birth. After one year, 15 babies in the group had died from cot death — a death rate of one per 500.

The research project — involving a cross-section of babies born between July 1980 and July 1981 — is based at London's Brompton Hospital.

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## In wake of widespread destruction

# China working on environmental development

By Michael Parks

PEKING (LAT)—Twenty-five years ago, China took "grain as the key link" in agriculture and, in the words of the country's leading ecologist, "nearly destroyed the environment in which one-quarter of mankind lives."

Lakes were drained, forests, chopped down, hills leveled, pastures ploughed up, wetlands filled in—all to grow more rice and wheat for the country's burgeoning population.

"This was an ecological disaster, for not the slightest amount of attention was paid to the natural balance of the environment, even to what would grow well in an area," said Prof. Hou Xueyu, an American-educated soil scientist who is working to correct the damage.

Grain production did rise in the short term, but future generations were being condemned to famines and floods. We are starting to see these natural disasters already. Had we continued to disregard the ecological balance, we would have destroyed the environment that must support 1 billion Chinese. And in a rather short time we would have adversely affected the rest of the world—we could have precipitated a global environmental crisis.

Nearly a fifth of the country, including much of its best farmland, now suffers from serious soil erosion, largely because of over-cultivation and extensive lumbering.

Between them, China's two main rivers, the Yellow and the Yangtze, now carry away about 1 million acres of farmland a year—enough to feed at least 22 million people here—because of poor soil erosion controls.

The same sort of deforestation that, as early as the 3rd century B.C., turned the Yellow River into "China's sorrow," changing course, every hundred years and flooding adjacent farmland as often as every three years, has begun to do the same to the upper reaches of the Yangtze.

Heavy lumbering on mountain slopes above the Yangtze in southwestern China's Sichuan province was blamed by Chinese officials for devastating floods that left 750 dead and caused billions of dollars in damage in the province last summer.

More than 3.2 million acres of lakes—an area nearly as large as Lake Superior and Lake Huron, the two biggest of the American Great Lakes—has been taken in land reclamation since the late 1950s, leading to such climatic changes as less rainfall and to sharp

drop in the availability of freshwater fish in many places.

A fifth of the country's grasslands have become almost desert as a result of attempts to turn pasture into farmland for grain cultivation, and the amount of grass in other areas is down by nearly half.

Overall, China's deserts have increased by more than 25,000 square miles, an area roughly equivalent to the Mojave and Colorado deserts, since 1949, when the Communist Party came to power. And 91 percent of the growth by official estimates is due to "improper economic activities."

The catalogue of environmental destruction goes on—a 50 percent drop in rainfall in the northeastern province of Heilongjiang since 1955 as forests were cut from the mountains there; three-quarters of the virgin tropical forests cut down on Hainan Island off China's southern coast; dust storms in Peking so severe that the air turns yellow for days on end; industrial pollution in the major cities as bad as in any American factory town.

But this is stopping, says Hou, who is known abroad as Hsioh-Yu Hou, and China is changing its developing strategy to protect the environment and restore the ecological

balance as best it can.

"Our government is now, finally, considering the impact of development and considering the suggestions of scientists," Hou said in an interview, criticizing the radicals who led China during the 1966-1976 Cultural Revolution, when the worst damage was done. "The situation has changed completely in the last five years, and environmental scientists are no longer pushed to the side and called foolish."

Despite the misgivings of some officials, the government is encouraging agricultural diversification, shifting grain cultivation from land better suited to crops such as cotton or peanuts or fruit and making up the shortfall with wheat imports.

"Of our mistakes in the past, 'seizing grain as the key' was the biggest and led to widespread environmental damage," Hou said.

The second major mistake, Hou said, was extensive lumbering. When the Communist Party came to power in 1949, it sought to reverse centuries of deforestation in China with big tree-planting campaigns. But during the Cultural Revolution these were largely halted, timber production was increased, and those trees that were planted were often unsuited to the locale or climate.

As a result, China has less than a third of an acre of forests or woodland per person, compared to the world-wide average of 2 1/2 acres, according to forestry officials.

Increasingly frequent and serious droughts are attributed to the loss of the forests.

A reforestation program was authorized by the national People's Congress in December with the goal of planting 2 billion to 3 billion trees annually so that eventually a fifth of China's 5.7 million square miles will be forested. Only 12.7 percent of China is now in Forest.

Hou, 70, director of the Chinese Academy of Sciences laboratory of plant ecology and geobotany, was instrumental in the key government decisions to begin agricultural diversification and to launch the reforestation campaign. His arguments were based on extensive field work and nearly 50 years of experience.

"These are major policy changes, a complete reorientation in our development plans," Hou said. "We still have problems, but they are not as difficult and are not a result of national policy as much as local planning mistakes."

Hou is now turning his attention to working out environmentally sound development programs in various parts of the country. "We have to see what is best in local conditions, which vary a lot, and not just decree this or that policy from the top," he said, praising at the same time the willingness of Premier Zhao Ziyang, Party Chairman Hu Yaobang and other leaders to get out of Peking and talk with peasants.

## OVERLOOKING SCOLIOSIS

## STOP KILLING YOURSELF

By Peter J.

Steinrohn

M.D., F.A.C.P.

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: Please consider this a warning from one mother to other mothers. We look at our children and don't actually "see" them.

We have an only daughter who most say is extremely beautiful. Of course, as parents, we don't disagree. But, we've been looking at her face and overlooking the rest of her.

As a mother, I should have observed that when she was still a pre-teen, her spine was getting crooked. Not until years later, when I had her to the doctor for treatment of a bad chest cold, did I learn that she has a severe scoliosis.

It kills me to think that for years I've overlooked her back trouble. But, at last we're doing something about it.

Our daughter is still a beautiful teenager, but now we're doing something about keeping the rest of her body "beautiful." As I said, I'm writing to warn other mothers who may be overlooking a serious scoliosis in their children. — Mrs. W.

Dear Mrs. W: Thanks for your note. It will alert many mothers and save children from unnecessary suffering.

Scoliosis, lateral curvature of the spine, many begin in infancy, but is common in adolescence. Discovered early (either by school nurse, doctor or parents), it can be prevented from becoming serious by use of proper exercises.

Overlooked, and to prevent serious complications later in life, use of electrical stimulation, body brace or operation is essential.

### MEDICALETES

(Replies to and from readers)

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: Sometimes I think it's a waste of time and money to visit my doctor. He is very thorough and all that, but when he explains what my trouble is and what I need for treatment, I hardly understand him.

He uses these long medical words that I can't comprehend. I leave

his office like a patient who is an unsolved puzzle. What to do? — Mrs. M.

Dear Mrs. M.: Simply stop and ask him to explain. I'm sure he will. Doctors sometimes forget that medical terms require translation before their patients can understand the jawbreaking terms we use.

Dear Dr. Steinrohn: Our large family keeps our one bathroom busy. With so many hot showers going on, it seems like a Turkish bath. I've been wondering if this dampness will affect the medicines in our quite large medicine chest. — Mrs. G.

Dear Mrs. G.: The bathroom is not the ideal place for storing medicines. Often they lose their effectiveness unless kept dry and cool. Find such a place in your home. But, as always, keep the medicine chest locked so your children can't get into it.

For Mrs. U.: Remember that sodium is an essential mineral for good health and life. But in overabundance, it can be harmful to patients with hypertension or heart disease. (Sodium and salt are not the same. Salt—sodium chloride—is about half sodium.)

As you have hypertension, you should be warned about taking so much bicarbonate of soda for your indigestion. Baking soda (sodium bicarbonate) is something I do not recommend for a patient with your condition. Have you told your doctor how much of it you take every day?

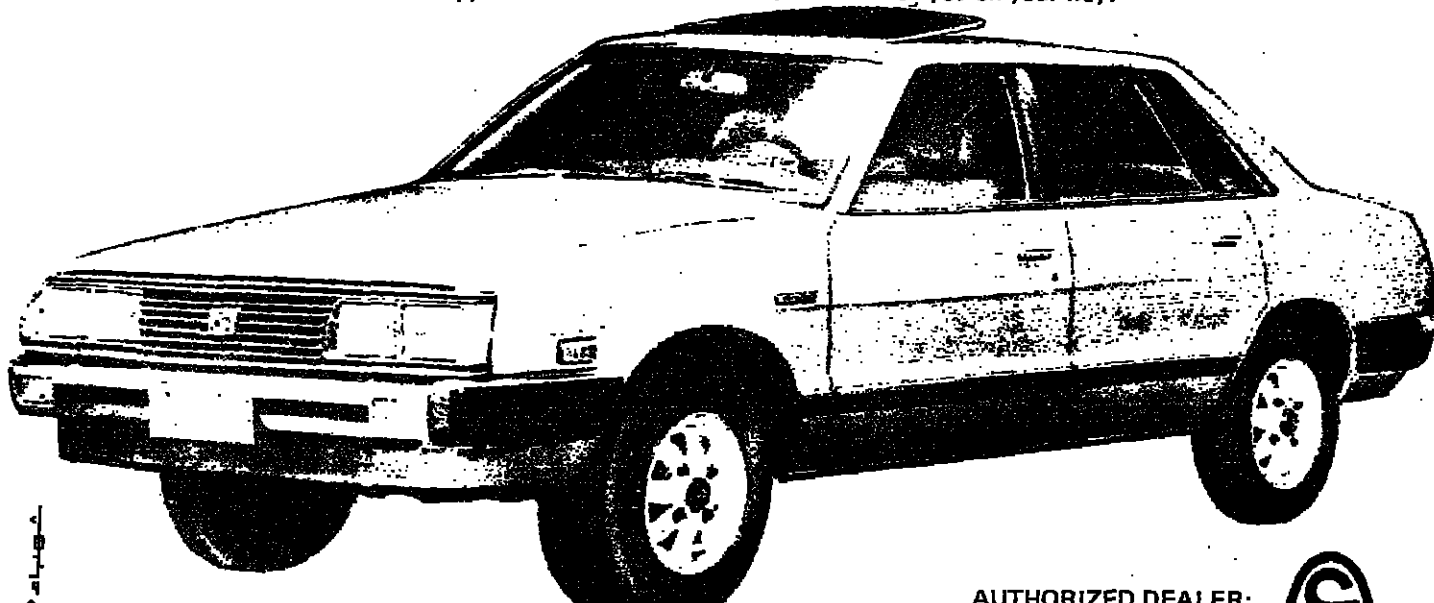
For Mr. L.: The correct diagnosis is important. Is your chest pain due to coronary artery spasm? If ECGs and other tests indicate this is the factor in your pain, newer drugs may be more effective in controlling it—for example, calcium antagonists like Verapamil and Nifedipine. In many patients such drugs work better than the nitrates our beta blockers.

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## Another Look

## Multiple-choice on arms

By Robert Yaakum

Readers of this column are probably well informed about the proposed nuclear freeze, MIRVs, MAD, SALT, arms sales, cost overruns, and all the other elements that one should know about in order to vote for congressmen this fall who make sense on military matters.

The following test, then, is one you can give your friends in order to find out whether they are qualified to vote:

1. Forty-seven percent of every dollar you pay to the International Revenue Service is spent on:

a. Payments for past wars and expenditures in preparation for the next one.  
b. Welfare bums and chiselers.  
c. Welfare for Lockheed, Chrysler, and other needy industries.

d. Buying holes in the ground for the storage of nuclear and other toxic wastes, back issues of the Congressional Record, and shredded Pentagon memorandums.

2. What would be most likely to survive an all-out nuclear war?

a. Volkswagen "beetles."  
b. Cockroaches in your kitchen and crabgrass on your lawn.

c. Unused wedding presents.  
d. National Geographic and unmatched socks.

3. President Reagan, Commander-in-Chief, says that the Soviet Union enjoys "a definite margin of superiority" in nuclear weapons. Journalists, however, have been unable to find any U.S. military officers who would swap American nuclear forces with the Russians. This means:

a. The commander-in-chief was lied to by his military officers.

b. The American public was lied to by President Reagan.

c. Journalists were lied to by military officers.

d. There is no way to know what is going on.

4. The Soviet Union is beset by more deep-seated troubles than a transcontinental bus driver with hemorrhoids—including the effort to occupy Afghanistan, pacify Poland, prevent more serious unrest in other occupied countries on its frontiers, defend themselves against a billion Chinese next door, conciliate increasingly irate consumers, shore up a

shaky economy—so their highest priority objective is probably:

a. Trying to solve the problems listed above.

b. The invasion of Western Europe so that they can use up the rest of their treasure and troops occupying France, Great Britain, Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium, and so forth—the by comparison with which the occupation of Afghanistan would be a picnic in the park.

c. To start a nuclear war with the U.S., which would eliminate most of their problems by assuring the elimination of most of their country.

d. To apply to the United Nations for protectorate status.

5. The reason American taxpayers spend \$14 per meal to subsidize dining by top military and civilian officials in the Pentagon and only \$1.20 per meal for poor school children is because:

a. The Pentagon people work harder and need more nourishment.

b. Getting less will give poor kids more incentive to grow up and work in the Pentagon.

c. The average American taxpayer is a dimwit.

d. Poor school children, being smaller, need less food than big Pentagon people.

e. Poor children can't afford lobbyists to put pressure on Congress.

6. If President Reagan continues to insist that U.S. nuclear forces be superior to those of the U.S.S.R., which of the following is likely?

a. The Soviets, already paranoid, will accelerate their nuclear arms production in an effort to keep up.

b. Americans will get poorer, except for the Pentagon and the defense industries, and Russians will get poorer, except for the military and the bureaucrats.

c. The rest of the world will become even more twitchy, isolating both the U.S. and the U.S.S.R.

d. A lot of other countries—including foreign fruitcakes and who knows who else—will build their own atomic bombs.

e. All of the above.

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## Embassy hostages freed

## Guatemalan leftists get Mexico asylum

MERIDA, Mexico, May 15 (Agencies) — Thirteen leftists who occupied the Brazilian Embassy in Guatemala and were flown here Friday night with four of their hostages have been granted political asylum by Mexico, an immigration official said.

The official, immigration director at the airport of this southeast Mexican city, said the Guatemalan Air Force plane carrying the leftists had now returned to Guatemala with the hostages and a Guatemalan government official who came here with them.

The hostages, two Brazilian diplomats and two Guatemalan Embassy employees, were among those held by the leftists when they took over the Brazilian Embassy in Guatemala on Wednesday to protest alleged repression of Guatemalan peasants.

The leftists, who were protesting alleged persecution of Guatemala's Indian population, ended their occupation of the embassy Thursday night after receiving a government

guarantee of safe conduct. They were six women in Indian dress and seven men.

A spokesman for Guatemala's military junta, Rafael Escobar Argello, said their departure for Mexico was delayed by air turbulence. The DC-6 jet took off at 8:20 a.m. for Merida, Mexican Ambassador Rafael Macedo Figueroa said.

Brazilian Ambassador Antonio Carlos de Abreu E. Silva and the two embassy employees were freed Thursday night, the junta spokesman said. The leftists surrendered three weapons and 10 explosive devices with fuses and boarded an Air Force DC-3. Later they were switched to the DC-6.

Seven men and six women seized the embassy and 10 hostages at noon Wednesday and declared they were "ready to die" for their cause. However, no injuries were reported during the siege, and two hostages were released Wednesday.

A spokesman for the group said they represented people "who have been persecuted, whose harvests and farms have been burned." He added that "nothing has changed with the coup."

On March 23, a group of officers claiming to be reformers overthrew the outgoing military-dominated government. The rebel officers claimed the election several weeks before of the government's candidate for president had been fraudulent.

The leftists demanded that local newspapers print their allegations of "massacres, torture, rape, and burning of crops and ranches" by the new government. They also sought a joint negotiating commission on their grievances. But the three-man junta rejected all their demands.

The leftists were said to belong to three groups, the January 31 Popular Front, the Committee of Peasant Unity and the Robin Garcia Student Front.

All have ties to guerrilla organizations that have been fighting Guatemala's conservative, military-dominated governments for a decade. The Popular Front takes its name from the date in 1980 on which leftists seized the Spanish Embassy, provoking an attack by government troops in which 37 persons were killed. The student front is named for a student leader who joined the guerrillas and was killed.

## Chun seems to restore political peace

SEOUL, May 15 (AFP) — After more than a year in power, President Chun Doo-hwan has restored an appearance of political tranquility in South Korea. A curfew enforced in 1945 has been lifted, restrictions on travel abroad have been eased and a life imprisonment sentence on opposition leader Kim Dae Jung has been reduced to 20 years.

The choice of Seoul as the venue of the 1988 Olympic Games can be regarded by President Chun as an international endorsement of his regime, while he is believed to have secured assurances from Japan for a loan of several thousand million U.S. dollars. At home, an approach to North Korea has enhanced his political standing. However, President Chun appears no more willing to tolerate a political opposition than his predecessor, the late President Park Chung Hee.

University campuses appear under control, but the government's relations with the Catholic church, which President Chun appeared to have smoothed, sharply deteriorated following an attack on the U.S. cultural center in Pusan last March 18.

Among nine persons arrested as a result of the incident was a Roman Catholic priest.

## Golkar Party gets 64 percent of vote

JAKARTA, May 15 (AFP) — The ruling Golkar Party Saturday as expected won a landslide victory from last week's Indonesian general election, with 48,071,057 votes or 64.08 percent of the poll, final returns indicated.

Golkar's main rival, the Muslim United Development Party (PPP), had 20,987,909 votes or 27.97 percent, and the Indonesian Democratic Party (PDI), an alliance of Christians and nationalists, only 5,956,014 votes or 7.93 percent.

The two Golkar rivals thus lost two percent and 0.7 percent respectively compared with the 1977 elections. Both charged irregularities in the balloting and vote counting. Overall, 75,014,980 votes were counted out of 82,132,293 registered voters or 91.37 percent. The rest either abstained or cast their votes without following the election rules.

Choi Ki Chik, who had sheltered two suspects before convincing them that they should surrender. The Korean Christian Action Organization (KCAO) strongly criticized his arrest and issued a virulent statement demanding, among other things, the departure of the U.S. ambassador and the chief of the U.S. armed forces in South Korea.

Of eight national daily papers, only one printed the full text of the KCAO statement. The rest played up the alleged anti-American content of the statement and alleged "Com-

## N. Korean killed

SEOUL, May 15 (R) — An armed infiltrator from North Korea was shot dead early Saturday on the east coast about three kilometers south of the demilitarized zone dividing the two Koreas, the South Korean Defense Ministry said.

Troops were seeking another agent, believed to have infiltrated the South with the dead agent by sea, it said. About 200 items of North Korean equipment were seized, including an assault rifle and diving suits.

## Salvadoran mayor assassinated

SAN SALVADOR, May 15 (AP) — Gunmen assassinated a small town Christian Democrat mayor as he was traveling to this capital for the funeral of a slain party member, party officials said. The victim was identified as Mayor Eleazar Cruz of San Francisco Chinameca. The slain party member was Yolanda Rivas de Carcamo, an unsuccessful candidate in the March 28 Constituent Assembly election.

Leftist guerrillas, meanwhile, said 70 army soldiers killed four men and abducted three teenagers Wednesday from a hacienda 96 kms east of here that had been occupied by rebels fighting to overthrow the government. An army spokesman denied the claim by the rebels' radio.

Jose Antonio Morales Ehrlich, a Christian Democrat member of the former Salvadoran junta, said a gunman killed Mrs. Carcamo, 35, near her shop in San Salvador's Modelo market Wednesday. The next day, he said,

munist sympathies" of the suspects.

A statement from the Korean Catholic Justice and Peace Movement released in Tokyo on April 26 said that "the government used the press to give a distorted version of the KCAO statement to try to isolate it from the people."

The communiqué said that 10,000 persons had attended a meeting in honor of those arrested in Pusan, and that they later demonstrated to shouts of "Chun out, Chun's a Fascist". The priest has for the past eight years been a leader of the underground "Association of Catholic Priests for Justice", which meets twice a month to discuss "cases of violations of liberties" which, he said, were submitted to the group every day by the public. "The present regime is just as hard as Park's was", he said.

An official of the council of churches backed up this accusation. Referring to a massacre of 55 villagers by a berserk policeman on April 26, he said: "The affair shows the level of brutality inculcated into our police force. They are like the military, which in 1980 crushed the Kwangju riots at a cost of 200 lives."

## Romania said heading for a crackdown

PARIS, May 15 (AFP) — Romania appears to be heading for a new ideological crackdown, according to Western diplomats there who cite several recent purges of government members and "probes" into the activities of some prominent Romanians.

The "purged" government members include Education Minister Anisa Spornic who is also a member of the Communist Party executive committee and Deputy Transport Minister Cornel Burada whose dismissal was reported on April 29 by the radio and by the press on May 7.

Diplomats in Bucharest have noted with interest that the Romanian authorities, usually tightlipped about reasons for dismissals, have let slip information indicating that Mrs. Spornic and Burada were involved with a "transcendental mediation sect" of "foreign inspiration".

There are also unconfirmed reports that several other prominent people, including economists, priests, doctors and high-ranking politicians, are under investigation in connection with the sect, which was reportedly founded in the United States and has a branch in Switzerland.

Diplomatic observers said the purges were perhaps a new form of President Nicolae Ceasescu's long-standing policy of rotating party and government cadres — a policy which keeps the "nomenklatura" in a permanent state of uncertainty.

Other observers linked the accusations leveled against Mrs. Spornic of "lack of vigilance" in connection with the sect to the "ideological" plenum of the party central committee being held at the end of this month and to the "congress of political education and Socialist culture" scheduled for June. The last — and only — congress of this kind to have been held in Romania was in 1976 on the theme "the creation of a new man".

The stir caused about the sect could lead to more dismissals, observers said. It has fueled concern, already rife, among members of the intelligentsia over repeated attacks to which members have been recently submitted.

## Mugabe men attack rivals

SALISBURY, Zimbabwe, May 15 (AP) — Militant youths of Prime Minister Robert Mugabe's ZANU(PF) Party rampaged through the streets of Rusape in eastern Zimbabwe for two nights burning homes and cars of rival political supporters. The Herald newspaper reported Saturday.

Three members of Abel Muzorewa's minority United African National Council were injured in attacks Monday and Tuesday, the newspaper said. Four houses and three cars owned by UANC supporters were set on fire. Muzorewa was prime minister before Mugabe led the British colony of Rhodesia to independence as Zimbabwe April 18 1980.

Zimbabwe African National Union (Patriotic Front) Rusape publicity secretary Augustine Mudyandazo told The Herald ZANU (PF) youths attacked the UANC supporters because they suspected arms were hidden in the homes.

Witnesses told The Herald, controlled by the state-owned Mass Media Trust, the trouble started Monday night with the stoning of the local offices by ZANU (PF) youths.

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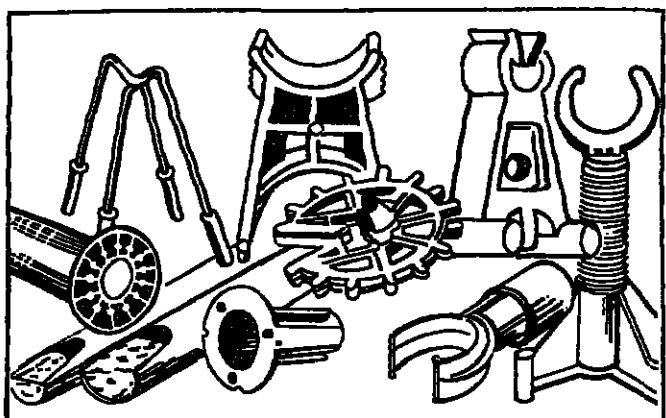
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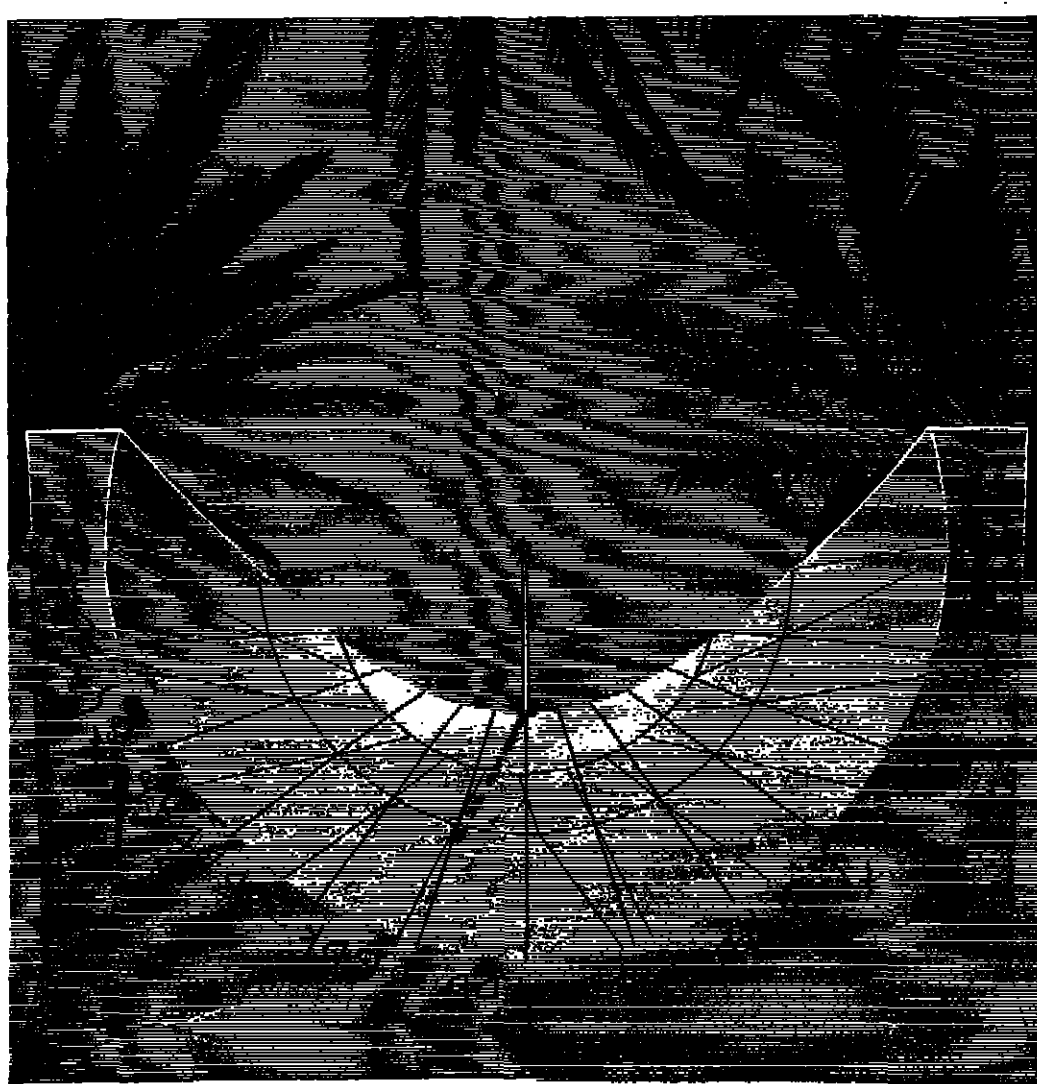
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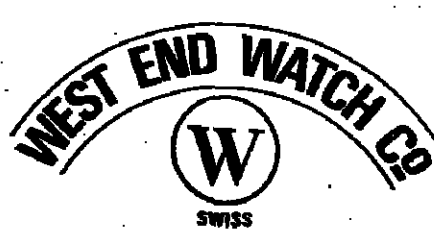


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## Basques strike at military targets

MADRID, May 15 (AP) — Two men believed to be Basque separatists fired on a paramilitary civil guard barracks at Onate, near San Sebastian, on Saturday. No casualties were reported.

The guard on duty at the time said two young men walking quietly suddenly produced submachine guns, riddled the barracks walls with bullets and ran away.

The attack, the third of its kind in 24 hours, came on the eve of a deadline set by ETA, the Basque separatist organization, to attack "military targets of the first order" in northern Spain if all national police in the Basque region are not withdrawn by May 16.

In Madrid, where residents were celebrating the day of San Isidro the farmer, their patron saint, the government ordered security measures tightened in northern Spain and Madrid and Barcelona, Spain's two largest cities.

Dormant following the coup attempt of Feb. 23, 1981, ETA resumed its armed fight against the government early this year. It has been blamed for 14 assassinations since Jan. 27, the latest that of a San Sebastian taxi driver shot dead on Friday, and nearly 400 killings mostly of policemen and military men in the past six years.

Officials said the armed forces and national police have been put on alert in anticipation of more violence. ETA said two men who died Thursday in Alava when explosives they were carrying blew up in their car were activists of the organization.

## 3 rioters held in Nepal

KATMANDU, May 15 (AP) — Three persons were arrested Friday and polling suspended in a ward in Lalitpur, a nearby suburb, after rioters broke ballot boxes, tables and chairs during voting for town assembly members. Several voters alleged that the voting had been rigged. A group of demonstrators then proceeded through the city shouting anti-government slogans.

Police used cane sticks to bring the situation under control, according to reports. Two women were reported to have sustained minor injuries in the disturbance. In Katmandu, voting in four of the capital's 27 wards was suspended for "various reasons," officials said.

## Violent schemes recalled Hinckley said unable to appreciate wrong

WASHINGTON, May 15 (Agencies) — John W. Hinckley Jr. was unable to appreciate the wrongfulness of his conduct when he shot President Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981, because of his mental state, a psychiatrist testified Friday.

Dr. William T. Carpenter, a key defense witness, told a federal trial jury that Hinckley suffered from schizophrenia, a mental illness that caused him to withdraw from reality. The defendant's mental state at the time of the assassination attempt made it impossible for him to make his conduct conform with the law, Carpenter testified.

The Maryland psychiatrist, who interviewed Hinckley for a total of 45 hours before his trial, was called to testify in U.S. district court by defense lawyers who contend that Hinckley was insane at the time of the shooting and thus not responsible for his actions.

Hinckley, the 26-year-old dropout son of an oil company executive, has pleaded not guilty on grounds of insanity to charges arising from the shooting in which Reagan and three other men were wounded. Carpenter said he had decided almost by accident to try to kill the president.

He said Hinckley's isolation deepened after he failed in his efforts in the autumn of 1980 to win the attention of teenage actress Jodie Foster, who was a student at Yale. The psychiatrist said Hinckley then considered various plans including killing himself in front of Miss Foster, shooting her and then killing himself, or shooting a professor and several students in a class she attended.

Hinckley briefly considered killing Sen. Edward Kennedy and even thought of trying to smuggle a gun into the congressional visitors' gallery and shooting a number of

representatives.

The psychiatrist said Hinckley also concocted a scheme to hijack a plane and demand that Reagan leave the White House to him. He would then be joined by Miss Foster and they would both be killed when the building was stormed by the authorities.

Hinckley's "final break from reality" came when his parents, on the advice of a psychiatrist, rejected his pleas in March, 1981, to be allowed to stay at the family home.

Carpenter said that after that rebuff, Hinckley traveled to California and intended to return to New Haven, Connecticut, where Yale is situated, to carry out one of his violent schemes. But he decided to travel via Washington, where he discovered President Reagan would be speaking at the Washington Hotel.

## WHO undecided on Third World medicines

GENEVA, May 15 (R) — The World Health Organization (WHO) Friday closed its two-week annual assembly undecided on how to deal with the growing issue of drug supplies for the Third World.

The 157-member organization resisted pressure to introduce a marketing code to control global drug sales, similar to the controversial code on sales of baby milk formulas passed last year. It also agreed to continue talks with pharmaceutical firms which have offered to supply drugs to developing countries at favorable prices.

## Film festival opens in Cannes

CANNES, France, May 15 (Agencies) — The 35th annual Cannes film festival opened Friday night with a cast of thousands. Organizers of the event said 12,000 professionals from the film industry and 3,000 journalists have flocked to this Mediterranean resort for the two-week festival which ends May 26.

The opening night was highlighted by the screening of the reconstituted version of D. W. Griffith's classic *Intolerance*. French Cultural Minister Jack Lang was present for the opening gala as was French singer Charles Aznavour.

In all some 30 films will be shown in Cannes during the festival. Only 22 films, however, have been selected to compete for the "Golden Palm" awards. This year's competitors include films from 12 countries, including China, the Soviet Union, Senegal, Cuba, Algeria and the United States.

Health lobbyists from a group named Health Action International, supported by delegations from Sweden, the Netherlands and several Third World states, scorned the offer by the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers' Associations (IFPMA) as a device to open new drug markets for private profit. They accused the firms of selling developing countries uneeded drugs at high prices. The IFPMA defended its offer but declined to discuss prices.

The assembly said it would continue to support a WHO program promoting 200 drugs it considers essential for economical and effective health programs in developing

countries.

Also in connection with drugs for the Third World, the assembly endorsed a plan for WHO to take out patents on medicines discovered through research it has funded. The move will allow the organization to develop and have marketed drugs which are considered unprofitable by private industry.

Two Middle Eastern issues also surfaced. The assembly condemned Israel for what it said was worsening health conditions in the occupied territories. But it put off until next year any decision on moving the Eastern Mediterranean regional office from Alexandria, Egypt, to Amman.

## BRIEFS

BANGKOK, (AP) — Three Indian warships departed for home Saturday after completing a five-day goodwill visit to Thailand, a Thai Navy officer said. The three ships — two destroyers and a submarine — are under the command of Rear Adm. Sukhmal Jain, he said.

PEKING, (AP) — Cape Verde President Aristides Maria Pereira told Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping Saturday "the Chinese people are our most trustworthy friends," the official Xinhua news agency reported. Xinhua said Pereira had a cordial conversation with Deng, who briefed him on China's political and economic situation and then gave a luncheon for him.

SEOUL, (AP) — Zaire President Mobutu Sese Seko will visit South Korea June 7-10 at the invitation of President Chun Doo-Hwan, the government announced Saturday.

## Court frees Republican of 'Abscam' conviction

WASHINGTON, May 15 (R) — A judge Friday threw out the conviction of former Florida Congressman Richard Kelly, the only Republican involved in a controversial investigation in which FBI agents posed as rich Arabs trying to buy influence. U.S. district court Judge William Bryant also granted new trials for Kelly and two co-defendants convicted along with him in January, 1981, on grounds that the FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation) violated their rights.

His ruling was the first major legal blow to the investigation dubbed Abscam, in which undercover agents disguised as Arab businessmen tried to buy influence in Congress. The unprecedented investigation resulted in the conviction of seven members of Congress, including Harrison Williams of New Jersey, a senior Democrat who resigned earlier this year under threat of expulsion from the Senate.

Kelly was convicted of accepting a \$25,000 bribe from an FBI undercover agent. He admitted taking the money, but said he did so as part of his own investigation into the activities of what he called "shady characters." The others granted retrials were Florida businessman Eugene Cuzio and New York state accountant Sta Ley Weisz.

The FBI was heavily criticized in a Senate debate on Williams' expulsion, with some senators alleging that it lured innocent members of Congress into committing crimes.

Justice Department spokesman Tom Stewart said that the government would appeal

against Bryant's decision and hoped to have it overturned. "We feel that judge Bryant is seriously wrong in this decision. His acquittal of Mr. Kelly will be appealed vigorously in the full expectation that the original verdict will be reinstated," Stewart said.

## Peking protests U.S. airport check

PEKING, May 15 (R) — China protested strongly to the United States Friday against what it called a gross infringement of diplomatic privileges when U.S. officials opened luggage of Chinese diplomats waiting to board a plane in New York.

The protest, made to a U.S. Embassy official summoned to the Foreign Ministry, was the latest incident reflecting tension between Washington and Peking over U.S. plans to sell weapons and military spare parts to the Nationalist China (Taiwan).

A New China News Agency (NCNA) said U.S. officials "in the absence of the Chinese passengers, went so far as to open, even break with knives and search in private scores of pieces of luggage of the members of the Chinese delegation and other Chinese passengers." The delegation, which had attended the law of the sea conference at the United Nations, lodged a verbal protest after the incident Wednesday, it added.

## Nonaligned debate news exchange

TOKYO, May 15 (R) — More than 50 news agencies of nonaligned countries ended a three-day meeting in Pyongyang Friday after discussing ways to expand and strengthen news exchanges among them, the North Korean Central News Agency (KCNA) reported Saturday.

The agency said: "Successfully winding up the debate, the session unanimously adopted the final report on the seventh meeting of the coordinating committee of the news agencies pool on nonaligned countries." But KCNA, monitored in Tokyo, so far has not given the contents of the report.

The Pyongyang conference of the nonaligned news pool, established in 1976, was attended by delegates from 40 countries in Africa, Latin America, Eastern Europe, the Middle East and Asia, the Korean agency said.

North Korean President Kim Il-Sung, at a banquet for the delegates on Thursday, said "it is necessary to form an integrated news service network by linking the national news

agencies of each country to develop interchanges and cooperation among the nonaligned countries in their information service."

The KCNA report said: "The meeting marked a major milestone in inducing the news agencies of nonaligned countries to attach primary importance of the pool's news service to the problems of principle arising in the expansion and development of the nonaligned movement, accomplishment of the common cause of anti-imperialism and independence, upholding the slogan of unity, and establish a new international information order on an overall scale..."

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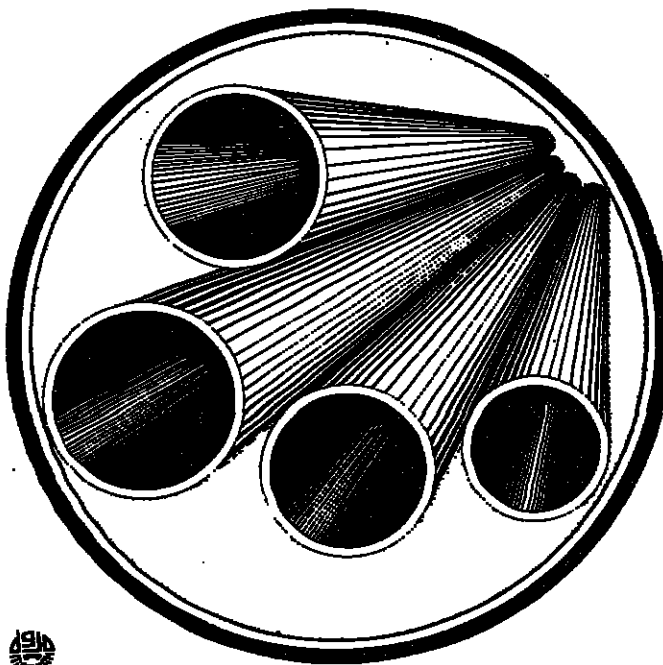
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## Britain climbs down on EEC budget issue

BRUSSELS, May 15 (AFP) — Britain announced Saturday that it was ready to accept a one-year cut in its contribution to the European Economic Community (EEC) budget.

The offer, conveyed to EEC council of ministers chairman Leo Tindemans, opens the way to a possible solution of the row between Britain and its nine EEC partners over the raising of EEC farm prices for the coming year.

London has been blocking the price rises as a means of pressuring the EEC to agree to what it considers a satisfactory long-term cut in its EEC budget contributions.

Now London says it will accept a provisional one-year cut, as long as the cut is increased from the 800 million European Currency Units (about \$800 million) already proposed by European Commission President Gaston Thorn.

EEC sources said the latest British offer also involved asking the EEC to consider an extension of the budget cut for several more years.

## U.S. plane makers hard hit

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AFP) — United States commercial aircraft manufacturers, already beset by a shrinking air travel market, are reeling under a new shock — a cutback in U.S. Export-Import Bank funds to finance aircraft sales.

Boeing, the world's biggest aircraft manufacturer, believes this cut will give an edge to its biggest competitor, the European consortium Airbus Industries, the Western world's number two aircraft manufacturer.

Ex-IM Bank's dwindling budget is scheduled to be trimmed still further next year to \$3.8 billion compared to \$4.4 billion this year and \$5.5 billion last year.

A big part of this money is used to finance sales of U.S. commercial aircraft to foreign clients. Airbus Industries, on the other hand, benefits from generous government export credits.

Boeing exports 60 percent of its product-

ion. It expects to be badly hit by the Ex-IM Bank cuts, particularly since it has just invested "thousands of millions of dollars" in the long and medium-range 767 and 757 passenger jets.

The U.S. firm, however, still believes it is well-placed to take advantage of the economic recovery expected later in the year, and of the demand from air companies for lower-cost carriers.

But aircraft manufacturers generally are reeling under slumping orders from crisis-hit commercial carriers of which the now-defunct Laker Airways and the ailing U.S. airline Braniff International are striking examples.

Only a switch in emphasis to military production is keeping their heads above water.

Pan-Am president Edward Acker, noting that U.S. carriers incurred heavy loss in the first quarter of this year, underlined the obvious.

"No company can commit itself to buying new aircraft as long as it is not profitable," he said. Boeing could only rake up 13 new orders for its medium carrier 737 in the first quarter of this year, compared to 129 for the whole of the last year.

Its first-quarter profits this year plunged 58 percent to \$61 million compared to the same period last year on a \$2.1 billion turnover that was 14 percent down.

Boeing plans to lay off between 5,000 and 10,000 and of its 105,000 strong staff this year, but it hopes to step up deliveries in order to achieve a 1982 turnover only \$790 million less than last year's 9.8 billion.

## Demand dips for tankers in Gulf area

LONDON, May 15 (AFP) — The Gulf states area, once the leading sector of the market, was again the least active sector this week. Demand was practically nonexistent apart from a few more inquiries from Iran's Kharg Island.

The only large vessels fixed there this week were one Very Large Crude Carrier (VLCC) to South Korea and another for a part cargo. Other business from this area was limited to vessels of between 50,000 and 100,000 tons to Europe, west Africa or the Far East.

The shipbrokers E. A. Gibson report that 25 VLCC's and Ultra Large Crude Carriers (ULCC's) are at present queuing in the Gulf for cargoes and another 10 to 15 are expected during the next fortnight, and that the likelihood of these vessels being fixed was slight.

There was, however, an improvement in activity from Indonesia, and fixtures were reported from there to the United States west coast, the Caribbean and Japan as well as to Singapore.

A fair amount of demand was also reported from west Africa, in particular to Western Europe, as well as for both clean and dirty vessels out of the Mediterranean to various destinations.

By contrast, activity dwindled in the Caribbean and the Mexican east coast, although some fixtures were still recorded from Mexico to Japan for both clean and dirty tonnage.

The period market was described as "absolutely dormant".

## Move to impose tea export curbs

GENEVA, May 15 (R) — Tea exporters and consumers have agreed to work toward an international tea agreement with export controls as its main weapon to fight falling world tea prices.

A week-long preparatory meeting here sketched out board terms for the quota mechanism and ways of determining when prices rise high enough to allow more exports or fall to the point where tea would be withheld from the market.

It left open for further study the question of a buffer stock to store tea when the market is depressed. Third World producers have supported establishment of the buffer stock while industrialized nations consuming most of the world's traded tea opposed it.

The United States, the only one of the 43 countries here to express clear dissatisfaction with the talks, said it opposed any measures designed to influence supplies or prices.

Tea prices have fallen by 30 percent on the world market over the past 10 years, undermining the export earnings of producer countries.

## Weekly commodities

## Prices ease as Falklands accord hopes rise

LONDON, May 15 (AFP) — Commodity prices softened generally this week in much less volatile conditions as the feeling grew that a peaceful settlement of the six-week Falklands crisis may yet be possible.

Isolated incidents in the South Atlantic, the continuation of the 20-month war between Iran and Iraq and talk of lower interest rates made little impression. Nevertheless sellers were a little more cautious in front of the week-end.

Exceptions to the general trend were tin, which was supported again by buffer stock buying, nickel and cotton (with the Liverpool index at a nine-month high).

Gold settled back to pre-Falkland levels, silver reached new three-year lows, and aluminium — at its lowest since the market opened in October 1981 — was a weak feature. Lead fell to a 15-month low.

Sugar was at its cheapest for two and three quarter years, cocoa and cereals eased, but coffee staged a late rally. Rubber marked time, but gas-oil fluctuated.

Gold: Barely steady. Early falls were made on the bullion market despite the weakness of the U.S. dollar.

Prices touched their lowest since the beginning of April in dull trading. Later there was a marginal rally from the lows in continuing quiet conditions. The sterling-priced "futures" market fell back on currency considerations.

Copper: Easier. Seven-week lows were

touched on the lack of consumer interest; the restoration of normal deliveries from southern Peru after its recent force majeure, and the bleak outlook as envisaged by CIPEC (the Inter-Governmental Council of Copper Exporting Countries).

The strike at Canada's Noranda refinery and the Budson Bay force majeure, plus talk of further industrial unrest in Canada, was ignored in dull conditions. Stocks rose again by 500 tons to 137,900 tons — matching the November 1979 high.

Tin: Steady. The tin council's buffer stock manager was again buying in support of market prices, but in a much less active way than recently. The rise in Penang's advances after several days of unchanged prices was a helpful factor in keeping prices steady.

But dealers were disinclined to extend their positions prior to the council's meeting Friday May 14, where discussions were held on further borrowings to enable support buying to be extended.

London Metal Exchange (LME) stocks were down 45 tons to 37,820 tons. Indicative of the drop in world consumption was the ten percent fall in tinplate usage over the first nine months of 1981 revealed by International Tin Council figures.

Lead: Easier. Values fell back to their lowest since February last year after early gains had been lost. Initial steadiness was induced by the suspension of more North

American operations and the smaller than expected rise in stocks by 25 tons to 85,250 tons — nevertheless a six year high.

World consumption dropped by 1.4 percent over the first two months of the year, the International Lead and Zinc Study Group (ILZSG) estimated.

Zinc: Easier. The decline was extended after the stock rise of 1,025 tons to 61,400 tons, the first sizeable increase since last October. The ILZSG said Western world consumption was down six percent over the first two months of this year compared with a year ago.

Silver: Easier. As the decline continued, prices eased to their lowest since April 1979, following the downturn in New York and the dull gold market. Fundamental over-supply and general disillusionment with the metal as a potential investment were the main factors behind the fall, according to the London bullion dealers' sharp play. Stocks were unchanged at a record 33,960,000 ounces.

Aluminium: Easier. Despite March's fall in Western world stocks — the first sizeable fall in two years — which was detailed by the International Primary Aluminium Institute, prices continued sliding to their lowest levels in over three and a half years.

Market stocks last week rose by 3,600 tons to a record 224,075 tons. Merchants outside the London Metal Exchange quoted \$970-1,000 (against \$985-1,015) a metric ton.

## Africa solar energy center proposed

ADDIS ABABA, May 15 (AFP) — African energy ministers and their senior officials wound up a three-day meeting here Friday night on setting up an African regional center for solar energy after voting a budget for the center but without agreeing on a site.

A plan for creating the center, on the drawing boards of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) since 1976, is seen as crucial for the continent, badly hit by the oil crisis.

The center's main function is to study the region's energy resources, reserves and future energy requirements, and the best methods needed to exploit and distribute energy.

The meeting adjourned after electing an executive board for the center and approving an initial budget of \$423,750.

The board is to be composed of Sudan for North Africa, Burundi and Gabon for central Africa and Uganda for eastern and southern Africa. Two representatives for western Africa are to be named later.

But the meeting, despite a strong appeal by Djibouti to have the center there, postponed a decision on the location of the center until an extraordinary meeting in January next year.

"Hosting the solar energy center was for Djibouti not a question of prestige but a necessity," Djibouti trade, Transport and Tourism Minister Aden Roble Awale said.

Djibouti has no oil, charcoal or forest resources, no hydro-electric potential and has been deeply affected by the energy crisis, Awale said.

Not a single regional or sub-regional center was based in the tiny horn of Africa Republic, he said and called for a greater decentralization in the locating of headquarters for specialized projects.

A total of 17 states have so far signed the center's constitution. The latest — Burundi, the Ivory Coast and Uganda, which also offered to host the center, — signed the document at the meeting.

ECA Executive Secretary Adebayo Adedeji warned Wednesday that the host country would be expected to extend substantial material and financial support over and above its normal contributions as a participating member. It would be expected to provide both temporary and eventually permanent physical facilities, he said.

## U.K. banks share Argentine payments

LONDON, May 15 (R) — Some non-British banks have begun to share interest payments made to them by Argentina with domestic British banks, British banking sources said.

"We are getting paid," one senior banker here said, adding that quite a number of payments have been made recently.

Virtually since the start of the Falklands crisis, British banks said they have been attempting to convince their non-British counterparts to share out Argentine interest payments on a pro rata basis.

Although agent banks are required under the clauses of loan agreements to share out payments on a pro rata basis, some non-British banks had resisted, saying that the British banks were being paid, albeit up to an escrow account set up by Argentina.

However, the British bankers, sceptical about the existence of an escrow account, said they had pressed the non-British banks to share out the payments, and many have just recently begun to do so. But some French banks are implying that they will not share payments, the bankers added.

## Dubai trader taken for a ride

DUBAI, May 15 (WAM) — A trader in Dubai received stones instead of the spare parts which he had ordered from an Asian country, the Dubai-based English daily *Gulf News* reported Saturday.

It said, the trader had contracted for the supply of spare parts for diesel equipment and engines from an industrial concern in the Asian country.

The paper did not name the country. When he went to Port Rashid and opened the crates after obtaining the customary customs clearance, he found stones.

Leaving the crates as they were, he went directly to the commercial attaché of the country from where the goods had been exported. The commercial attaché accompanied to the warehouse and saw for himself the contents of the crates.

At first he was reluctant to concede that the stones had been introduced at his country's end, but changed his mind when he found intact the contents of other packages which had been similarly secured.

He promised to write to the industrial concern which had made the export. Three months have elapsed since then and the Dubai trader is left holding the stones.



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## 8.6% fall since July

## U.S. industrial output declines

WASHINGTON, May 15 (R) — Industrial production fell 0.6 percent in April and is down 8.6 percent since the recession began last July, the Federal Reserve Board has said in a report released Saturday.

On Friday, a government report stated that the wholesale prices in the U.S. rose only 0.1 percent in April, but the continued gains against inflation were accompanied by another cut in the output of the American industry.

The price report suggested a slight increase in inflation from February and March when

## Lagos economy outlook bright

LAGOS, May 15 (R) — Nigeria's balance of payments should show a surplus by the end of 1983-84 as a result of drastic imports curbs imposed last month and an expected rise in oil production, according to budget director Theophilus Akinyele.

In a speech to the Nigerian-American Chamber of Commerce Friday, Akinyele said: "At the end of 1983, the balance of payments is expected to show some surplus and net official reserves will improve substantially."

He said the Nigerian economy was expected to grow by five percent in 1983, which is below the 7.2 percent annual growth rate projected in the 1981-85 national development plan. The plan was drawn up before vital oil revenues fell and plunged the Nigerian economy into crisis.

Until President Shugu Shagari announced a freeze of import financing in March, Nigeria was running a monthly trade deficit of around \$600 million.

## Moscow, Bonn mull gas sales

BONN, May 15 (AFP) — Soviet central bank president Vladimir Alchimov met West German Finance Minister Manfred Lahmstein here Friday for two hours of talks on Western credits and Soviet gas sales, a finance ministry spokesman said Saturday.

He gave no further details of the talks, which West German sources said involved merely an "exchange of views" but no negotiating.

An informed Soviet source said Moscow was seeking a restructuring of its foreign debt, which Western estimates put at \$19.5 billion at the end of last year.

The Soviet source said Alchimov arrived here Friday for a six-day visit that would include meetings with Bundesbank president Karl-Otto Poehl and Deutsche Bank president Wilhelm Christians. And a spokesman for West German Economics Minister Otto

prices fell by 0.1 percent, but it still suggested wholesale price inflation in 1982 would be lower than at any time since a 3.7 percent increase in 1976. The report also promises continued moderation in consumer prices, which rose at one percent annual rate during the first three months of this year.

Most analysts think consumer prices will rise less than six percent this year compared to 8.9 percent in 1981 and 12.4 percent in 1980. The figures are good news for the Reagan administration which is giving economic priority to reducing inflation.

The two reports are likely to add impetus to charges by the opposition Democratic Party that the administration has been able to

## Soviet gas flow set to rise

MOSCOW, May 15 (R) — Natural gas production in Urengoi, site of the world's single biggest deposit and the starting point for a pipeline to Western Europe, will rise to 270 million cubic meters a year by 1985, a senior Soviet official has said.

Deputy Foreign Minister Nikolai Osipov told a news conference that the Urengoi deposit, the largest of several huge deposits in the Soviet far north, contained 8,000 billion cubic meters of gas out of total Soviet reserves of 32,000 to 34,000 billion.

Western analysts expect gas to take over

cut inflation only by encouraging recession and higher unemployment. The administration argues that lower inflation and tax cuts due July 1 will produce an economic recovery in the next few months.

President Reagan said Friday that the business community's pessimism about the U.S. economy was based on fears that his administration would adopt discredited methods to end the recession, but "we are going to hold firm."

Speaking during a visit to a cattle farm outside Philadelphia, he said the old policy of artificially stimulating the money supply and government spending to deal with recession was "like trying to treat a fever by heating the thermometer."

from oil as the Soviet Union's biggest source of hard-currency earnings in the late 1980s. Soviet natural gas production is growing by around seven percent a year and is planned to rise from 465 billion cubic meters in 1981 to between 600 and 640 billion in 1985.

Osipov, who gave a survey of Moscow's gas export plans, said sales to Western Europe last year were around 27 billion cubic meters.

The Soviet Union has already started work on an export pipeline from Urengoi to Western Europe that will be able to pump another 40 billion cubic meters a year.

Osipov said contracts for deliveries of Soviet gas had been signed with West Germany, France and Italy, and talks were continuing with Austria, Belgium, the Netherlands, Greece, Spain and Switzerland.

The East-West gas deal has been opposed by the Reagan administration because it fears Western Europe will become too dependent on the Soviet Union for its energy.

Urengoi will also supply gas to various areas of the Soviet Union through four other pipelines to be completed by 1985.

Osipov said the export pipeline, whose exact length of the Soviet-Czechoslovak frontier will be 4,465 kilometers (2,774 miles), would be ready for testing by the end of 1983 and deliveries would start by the end of 1984. The pipeline route includes long stretches of permafrost, swamps, cliffs and hundreds of rivers, but Osipov said there was no doubt it would be completed on schedule.

He said the deal was significant politically as well as economically because it strengthened political relations between the states involved. "It strengthens the atmosphere of mutual understanding and trust between partners and between people as a whole," he said.

## Cloud hangs over alternative fuel projects

Canada has been especially hard hit by a decision last week by private firms that forced the suspension of the \$13.5 billion Alberta Alkinds project for converting the vast, thick deposits of tar-like sands in western Canada into oil.

The United States and Canadian governments are being forced to rewrite energy programs aimed at lowering the need for expensive and risky oil imports as a result of the abandonment of long-cherished alternatives.

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## Unemployed nearing 2m in France

PARIS, May 15 (AFP) — Unemployment in France is growing at a constant pace, having increased 17.1 percent in the 12 months since April last year, the French Labor Ministry has announced here.

The army of jobless numbered less than two million last month for the second consecutive month. But the number of registered jobseekers rose by 20,800 (1.1 percent) in April to reach 1,988,300 after seasonal adjustments had been made, the ministry added Friday.

It said the number of jobs on offer marked time lapse after an increase in March. The average registered jobseeker has been waiting about nine months for work.

## Kuwait gains 25% share in Hoechst

FRANKFURT, May 15 (AFP) — Kuwait recently took a 25.1 percent shareholding in the share capital of the West German chemicals giant Hoechst A.G. the newspaper *Frankfurter Rundschau* reported here Saturday.

There have been persistent rumors of the move on the stock exchange here, but Hoechst declared that it had no concrete information on the value of shares bought by foreign interests, nor of the buyers' identity.

Hoechst has a 2,350 million mark (about \$1 billion) share capital, with each share approaching 120 marks (about \$52). The share takeover would, therefore, have cost the Kuwaitis about 1,400 million marks (\$600 million), the newspaper estimated.

## Taipei to boost robot production

TAIPEI, May 15 (CNA) — The Industrial Technology Research Institute (ITRI) plans to sell the technology for designing and manufacturing industrial robots to local machinery manufacturers in the middle of this year.

The robot, the ITRI-E model, will become the first of its kind to be manufactured domestically. The decision to sell the technology followed an ITRI survey showing that current demand from local factories is 10,000 units of this kind of robot.

The ITRI estimates that, once the transfer of technology has been successfully completed and the robots go into mass production, their unit prices will be around NT\$300,000, half the price of comparable robots made overseas.

## Financial Roundup

By J. H. Hammond

## Dollar tastes mixed fortune

JEDDAH, May 15 — The American currency closed the week on mixed results after having regained some ground against the major European currencies in Friday trading. The New York closing levels Friday night showed a partial retreat for the dollar, especially against the British pound. Sterling has continued to trade strongly despite the on going Falklands clashes and the pound closed at 1.8225 levels with little bank of England support.

In the American money markets, the feeling that the dollar had achieved a breathing space for the time being soon gave way to pessimism over the future direction of U.S. interest rates when the U.S. weekly money supply figures were released. These showed a smaller than expected rise of \$800 million against expectations of \$3 billion rises. Federal Reserve Board "Fed fund" prime lending rates also fell back from 16 percent levels to close at 14 1/2 percent Friday night.

Eurodollar deposit rates eased back below the 15 percent mark reached Friday in London, to take the medium term 3-month Eurodollar rate to 14 9/16 percent. In the United States, the release of the latest American industrial production figures did not calm the nerves of the money markets, for industrial output fell by 0.6 percent for the month of April confirming

that the depression was still on although the figures were better than March's that month showed 0.8 percent drop.

In the bullion markets gold closed the week on a higher note after floundering at \$331 levels. In New York, spot May prices reached \$338.20 levels showing some resiliency in the market, but bullion dealers were still apprehensively watching for any more Falklands crises erupting.

In the local markets, rial deposit rates showed a small rise to take the one-month rate to 13 - 13 1/2 percent levels compared with Thursday closing prices of 12 1/4 - 13 1/4 percent. In the longer tenors, prices also picked up slightly to take the one-year tenor to 12 1/2 - 13 percent, but Jeddah dealers were quick to point out that the "rise" in rates was really insignificant and that the money markets were still seeing rival liquidity available. In the short-dated funds, week-ended deposits were quoted at 13 - 13 1/2 percent — again slightly up over Thursday closing levels.

In the European exchanges, the German mark recovered more than 100 points to close the week at 2,300 levels, while the Japanese yen was similarly stronger at 234.00, compared to 236.90 levels. The Swiss franc was weaker at 1,940 due to further Swiss franc interest rate cuts Thursday, while the French franc fell back by another 100 points to reach 6.0320 levels.

## African power for Europe mooted

ROME, May 15 (AFP) — A giant scheme to feed Europe with electricity from central Africa by the turn of the century came under the spotlight here this week at a seminar of Italian and African experts.

The seminar was told that it would be technically possible within 15 years to build a 35,000 megawatt hydro-electric power station on the Zaire (Congo) River at Inga, in Zaire.

In terms of the scheme, two million-volt high-tension lines stretching about 7,000 kilometers (about 4,400 miles) would carry 250,000 million kilowatt-hours of power a year from Inga to Europe.

This would, for instance, take care of Italy's annual power consumption, or make redundant all of Europe's oil-fired thermal power stations.

One of the power lines would pass through the central African republic, Chad, Niger and Saharan Algeria, and the other along the west coast of Africa to the straits of Gibraltar.

The study was carried out by the Italian electricity company Enel, which estimates the project would cost \$50 billion at today's

prices. The large-scale transport of energy already exists — the 12,000 megawatt Itaipu Barrage that feeds Brazil and Paraguay, for example, or the 2,000 megawatt Cabrita Bassa power station in Mozambique that feeds South Africa.

And a world energy conference at Detroit, Michigan, in 1974 estimated that only a tenth of the world's hydro-electric potential was being used.

Experts claim the Zaire River basin has the potential to produce 700,000 million kilowatt-hours a year — three times the capacity of the proposed scheme.

Enel president Francesco Corbellini said the project deserved European financial support, although he warned that world tensions could delay any decisions for several years.

The seminar was organized by the Italian foreign ministry and the Italian Association for International Development, a private body of businessmen.

## Peking warns alien business

PEKING, May 15 (AFP) — Communist Chinese authorities warned foreign businessmen for the second time in less than a month against indulging in "speculation, corruption and other unhealthy activities."

In a front-page commentary the *People's Daily* reported that China would continue its open-door policy toward foreign traders who use "normal channels."

"However, the Chinese people are firmly opposed to those who infringe their rights and interests by indulging in speculation, corruption, smuggling and other unhealthy activities," it added.

Last month the Communist Party bi-monthly theoretical journal *Red Flag* accused some foreign businessmen of "infiltration and spying operations" in China, although it admitted that "China can no longer live in isolation and refuse contacts with foreign capitalists."

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## 1. SHIPS DISCHARGING:

Berth	Name of Vessel	Agent	Type of Cargo	Arrival
1.	Merzario Arabia	A.E.T.	Cont./Trls/Bldg/Mtys	13.5.82
2.	Corinna	El Hawi	Conts/Cars/Gen.	8.5.82
3.	Bakar	Attar	Gen./Tea/Tobacco	13.5.82
4.	Orient Trust	A.A.	Bagged Barley	25.4.82
5.	Arab Al Hijaz	S.C.S.A.	Gen./Pipes/Rice	11.5.82
6.	Yannis	Alasada	Sugar	10.5.82
7.	Interactivity	S.A.M.A.	Barley	9.5.82
8.	Melville Post	O.Trade	Durra	5.5.82
9.	Agios Eleftherios	Star	General/Timber	15.5.82
10.	Mount Dirfys	Globe	General	14.5.82
11.	Giannakis	Star	Durra	27.4.82
12.	Sea Master	Baoboud	Durra	1.5.82
13.	Transworld Sailor	Star	Durra	26.4.82
14.	Claudia Koegel	Gulf	Gen./Rice/Anim Feed	10.5.82
15.	Sarika B	Moffarj	Bagged Barley	5.5.82
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17.	Maria Oldendorf	El Hawi	Cont. Steel	13.5.82
18.	Mariam	A.E.T.	Contr./Gen.	14.5.82
19.	Odyseus	Relaco	Bulk Cement	11.5.82
20.	La Cordillera	Alasada	St/Sugar/L. Poles	26.4.82
21.	Saudi Trader	M.E.S.A.	Durra	7.5.82
22.	Onudurman	A.A.	Barley	4.5.82
23.	Alasiri	S.C.S.A.	Maize	8.5.82
24.	Siam Rainbow	Gulf	Gen./Cmnt/Timb/Paper	13.5.82
25.	Atalaya	A.A.	Sugar	13.5.82
26.	Leto 2	Alasada	Rail/Trie/Gen.	15.5.82
27.	Summer Dew	MESA	Onions/Gen./Cement	14.5.82
28.	Saudi Eagle	Star	Bagged Barley	5.5.82
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1.	Spartan Reefer	OCE	Reefer	9.5.82
N-2.	Asia Oho	SMC	General	11.5.82
3.	Orion Star	UEP	Gen./Steel	12.5.82
4.	Ange Baltic	Gosaibi	General	11.5.82
5.	Atlantic Skou	Alasada	General	8.5.82
6.	Kee Development	Gulf	Loading Urea	6.5.82
7.	Ararat	Kanoo	General	12.5.82
8.	Liao Yang	Orri	Gen./Timber	12.5.82
9.	Maldiva Privilege	Orri	Gen./Maize	8.5.82
10.	Sharp Island	Ufosaibi	Bagged Barley	14.5.82
11.	Union Hamburg	Gosaibi	Trailers	14.5.82
12.	Freedom	Alasada	General	11.5.82
13.	Ibn Albeitar	Gosaibi	Plywood/Barley	9.5.82
14.	Kusu Island	Orri	Steel	9.5.81
15.	Cyclops	Kanoo	Containers	15.5.82
16.	Nedlloyd Caladonia	Kanoo	Bulk/Bauxite	13.5.82
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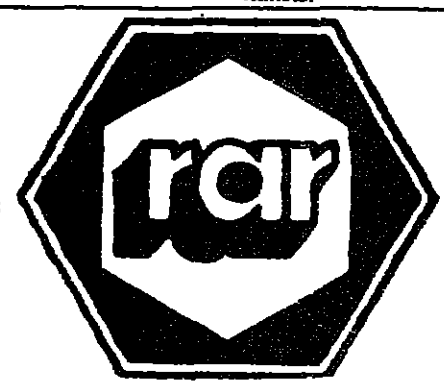
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As southpaw Carlton excels

# Phillies blank Giants for fifth straight win

NEW YORK, May 15 (AP) — Left-hander Steve Carlton pitched 2-3 innings of no-hit ball Friday night before settling for a two-hitter, and the Philadelphia Phillies blanked the San Francisco Giants 2-0.

It was the Phillies' fifth straight victory and their 11th in 12 games. Carlton, 4-3, who lost his first four starts, had issued only a walk to losing pitcher Rich Gale, 1-3, in the third inning before catcher Bob Brenly lined a single between third and short with two out in the top of the eighth. It was Brenly's first hit in his first game of the season.

The Phillies scored in the first inning on consecutive doubles by Mike Schmidt and Gary Matthews and in the third on Bo Diaz's sacrifice fly.

In other National League games, Fernando Valenzuela scattered seven hits and Dusty Baker hit a leadoff home run in the sixth inning as Los Angeles defeated New York 4-1, snapping the Dodgers' four-game losing streak and the Mets' four-game winning streak.

Lee Lacy lost a grand-slam home run when he accidentally passed a teammate on the bases, but his eighth-inning blast still knocked in three runs and gave the Pittsburgh Pirates an 8-7 victory over the Cincinnati Reds. Lacy clasped his hands to his head in disappointment when he was called out by plate umpire Ed Montague after belting the drive over the center field wall off reliever Tom Hume. Lacy was credited with a single and three RBIs.

Biff Pocorobado's solo homer with two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning gave Atlanta a 2-1 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals. Rafael Ramirez also homered for the Braves.

Andre Dawson's two-run single capped a three-run rally in the eighth inning and gave the Montreal Expos an 8-7 victory over the San Diego Padres.

Doubles by Bump Wills, Bill Buckner and Gary Woods and a triple by Larry Bowa fueled a five-run sixth inning that carried the Chicago Cubs to a 6-3 triumph over the Houston Astros.

In the American League, Kirk Gibson slammed a two-out, two-run homer in the 11th inning of a fight-filled game to power the Detroit Tigers to a 4-2 victory over the Minnesota Twins.

Five players were ejected after fights in the fourth and 11th innings, including Eno Sengul, Chet Lemon and Richie Hertzner of the Tigers and Esus Vega and Ron Davis of the Twins.

Gorman Thomas belted his fifth and sixth homers of the season to power Milwaukee to a 2-1 victory over the Chicago White Sox, snapping a four-game losing streak for the Brewers.

Doug Flynn's sacrifice fly in the bottom of the 11th inning gave the Texas Rangers a 4-3 victory over the Toronto Blue Jays. The Boston Red Sox game with the Royals at Kansas City was postponed because of rain.

In late AL games on the west coast, Dan Ford belted a three-run homer and Jim Palmer pitched four innings of hitless relief to lead the Baltimore Orioles to an 11-4 victory over the Seattle Mariners.

## Hunt to don Cosmos colors again

EAST RUTHERFORD, New Jersey, May 15 (AP) — Steve Hunt will again be wearing a Cosmos uniform. Hunt, who helped power the Cosmos to consecutive North American Soccer League Championships in 1977 and 1978, rejoined the club for the remainder of the 1982 season. Cosmos President Ahmet Ertegun announced Friday.

Hunt will begin training with the Cosmos immediately and will be in uniform for this Sunday's Soccer Bowl rematch against the Chicago Sting. "If he is ready," said Cosmos coach Julio Mazzini, he will wear No. 17.

"We're thrilled," said Ertegun in making the announcement. "Everyone knows the special place that Steve Hunt occupies in Cosmos history. Since the day he made his difficult decision to return to England we had

over the Seattle Mariners.

Brian Downing had three hits and scored a pair of runs to lead the California Angels to a 5-2 victory over the Cleveland Indians. Doug Corbett, who had three saves with Minnesota before being traded to the Angels earlier this week, got California out of a jam in the seventh inning and went on to earn his first save for the Angels.

Dave Winfield hit relief pitcher Dave Beard's first pitch for a three-run homer, clinching a five-run seventh inning that gave the New York Yankees a 7-4 victory over the Oakland A's. The victory was the Yanks' fourth straight and sixth in their last seven games.



Steve Carlton ... stands out

## Baseball standings

National League Eastern Division					American League Eastern Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB		W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	21	13	.618		Boston	22	11	.667	
Philadelphia	17	15	.526	3	Detroit	19	12	.613	2
New York	17	16	.515	3 1/2	Milwaukee	17	14	.548	4
Montreal	15	15	.500	4	New York	15	16	.484	6
Pittsburgh	13	17	.433	6	Cleveland	14	17	.452	7
Chicago	14	19	.424	6 1/2	Baltimore	13	18	.419	8
					Toronto	13	19	.406	8 1/2
Western Division					Western Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB		W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	22	11	.667		Chicago	21	11	.645	
San Diego	16	15	.516	5	California	22	13	.629	
Los Angeles	17	17	.500	5 1/2	Kansas City	18	13	.581	2
San Francisco	15	19	.441	7 1/2	Oakland	18	17	.514	4
Cincinnati	14	18	.438	8	Seattle	15	21	.417	7 1/2
Houston	14	20	.412	8 1/2	Texas	9	19	.321	9 1/2
					Minnesota	11	25	.306	11 1/2

## Nicklaus, Kite share 2nd spot

FORTH WORTH, Texas, May 15 (AP) — Lennie Clement, the last man invited battled swirling winds for a 1-under-par 69 Friday and seized a one-stroke lead over Jack Nicklaus and Tom Kite in the \$350,000 Colonial National Invitation Golf tournament.

Hard on his heels at 136 were Jack Nicklaus and Tom Kite, the 1981 leading winner on the PGA tour. Nicklaus, who won both the U.S. Open and PGA in 1980, started strong with two quick birdies then faded to an even par 70. Lurking two strokes back at 3-under-par 137 were former U.S. Open champions Jerry Pate and Andy North. Pate shot 68 and North had 69.

Meanwhile, Tu a-Yu of Taiwan, seeking her third triumph this season, shot a six-under-par 69 Saturday to overtake Shinako Yoshimochi at the halfway mark of the \$85,000 World Ladies Golf Tournament.

The 27-year-old Taiwanese, who had a 72 on Friday to trail the first round Japanese leader by two strokes, sank six birdies against no bogeys on the 5,909 meter (6,463 yard), par-75 Yomiuri Country Club Course, south of Tokyo. This gave her a two-stroke lead over Azako Okamoto of Japan, who won the Arizona Copper Golf Classic last February. Okamoto recorded a 72 Saturday for a 143 total.

Yoshimochi, 25, soared from Friday's five-under-par 70 to Saturday's three-over-par 78 for a 36-hole total of 148. Tied for third place at 146 were two veteran Japanese

pros, Atsuko Hikage and Sachiko Takahashi. Hikage shot an even par 75 and Takahashi a 74 Saturday.

Sweden's Rookie pro, Pia Nilsson, who lost three strokes in Saturday's 18-hole play, slipped to sixth place tie with Taiwan's Wu Ming Yeh and five Japanese with a one-under-par 149. The 24-year-old Swede, who was tied for second with a 71 Friday, shot a three-over-par 78 in Saturday's 18-hole play.

## Coe warms up for date with Overt

YORKSHIRE, May 15 (AFP) — Sebastian Coe, Britain's 1,500 meters Olympic gold medalist, makes his first competitive appearance of the season here Sunday as he builds up for his three-meeting showdown with Steve Overt.

The 25-year-old Coe, who is from nearby Sheffield, is concentrating on the 1,500 meters in the Samuel Webster Yorkshire Championships and will have few challengers if he tries to beat the record of three minutes 43.3 seconds he set in 1976, the last time he ran in the regional championships.

## Higgins fights back from brink of defeat

SHEFFIELD, England, May 15 (R) — Alex Higgins of Northern Ireland fought back from the brink of defeat Friday night to beat Jimmy White of Britain 16-15 and reach the final of the World Professional Snooker Championship.

His opponent for the title will be Welshman Ray Reardon, six times champion, who earlier defeated Eddie Charlton of Australia 16-11.

Higgins trailed 15-13 with three frames to go in the best-of-31 semifinal against White. But the 33-year-old Irishman rallied to take all three and win an epic match by the narrowest possible margin.

One mistake by White, 20, cost him a place in the final. Needing only one more frame to win, he led 59-0 in the 30th frame, but missed a black. Higgins rallied superbly to take the frame 69-59 by clearing the table and then claimed the last frame 96-16 for victory.

Reardon's victory was much more easily gained. The earlier sessions of his semifinal against Charlton had been very tight, but in Friday's final session Reardon won five frames in succession to coast through to the decider.

## Derbyshire routs Somerset

LONDON, May 15 (AP) — New Zealand Test opener John Wright hit a fluent unbeaten half century Friday to steer Derbyshire to a comfortable nine-wicket victory over Somerset in their English County Championship cricket match at Derby.

Somerset, 154 for seven overnight, lost their last three wickets for 23 runs, leaving Derbyshire needing 106 to win. Wright, batting with power and precision, completed his 50 in 94 minutes. His total of 59 not out included 12 fours.

Sussex scored an easy victory over Essex at Hove. Sussex won by 10 wickets after bowling Essex out for 244 and reaching the paltry target of 37 without loss. Essex always struggled against the fiery pace attack of Imran Khan, Garth Le Roux and Tony Pigott.

Middlesex scored their second straight victory by defeating Northamptonshire by nine wickets at Lord's. David Steele helped up Middlesex with a dogged 66, but Middlesex, who were set a victory target of 67, coasted to

He is likely to lead John Doherty, the Irish Cross Country champion, and Sean Cahill from the start and that should be the last they see of him. It was at the same track that Coe won his only 5,000 meters race two years ago and the long distance event could again be the highlight of the meeting, though Coe will not take part.

Ken Newton, who last won the 5,000 meters in 1976, is in with a good chance because of the absence of soldiers from the Army College at Harrogate, all on Falklands standby.

It was also 11-all for Reardon, six times world champion, and Charlton when they resumed their match. But in contrast to tightly-contested play, it was Reardon all the way this time. He was held up only in the 25th frame, which went on for 50 minutes before Reardon won it 76-36.

"Eddie was not a song, but I didn't think it would finish the way it did," Reardon said afterwards. Charlton offered no excuses. "Ray was just too good for me Friday. I knew it would be tough, but I thought I could get closer than that," he said.

"Ray had a bit of luck, but if you are going to win a big tournament like this you have to have luck." He's knocked me out of this championship four times now, in two semifinals and two finals. I hope he now wins the title."

Results of semifinals: Ray Reardon (Britain) beat Eddie Charlton (Australia) 16-11. Frame scores (Reardon first) 83-21, 97-8, 76-36, 112-4, 72-44. Alex Higgins (Northern Ireland) beat Jimmy White (Britain) 16-15. Frame Scores (Higgins first): 18-74, 67-57, 65-45, 20-97, 1-65, 8-78, 72-17, 69-59, 96-16.

victory for the loss of Will Slack.

Zimbabwe-born Brian Davison hit 111 to help steer Leicestershire to a five-wicket triumph over Surrey, while Zaheer Abbas scored 91, but could not prevent Gloucestershire from losing to Worcestershire by 11 runs.

Though Brian Davison was outstanding with his match-winning 111, there were four others amongst the three-figure mark. Alan Butcher's 151 for Surrey was of no use as Leicestershire walked away with full points.

There were two centuries in another match. Kent's Asif Iqbal, the former Pakistan captain, carried his overnight 43 to 115 not out against Warwickshire. And later, Alvin Kallicharran hit 105 to force a draw. The fifth century-maker was Bill Athey, who made 100 for Yorkshire, against Glamorgan.

## Brief scores:

At Derby: Somerset 219 and 177 lost to Derbyshire 291 and 108-1 (John Wright 59 n.o.).

At Hove: Sussex 378-9 decl. and 40 for no loss, beat Essex 170 and 244 (Norbert Philip 56; Tony Pigott 4-53).

At Lord's: Middlesex 379-5 decl. and 67-1 beat Northamptonshire 220 and 225 (David Steele 66).

At Headingley: Yorkshire 380-7 decl. and 248-5 decl. (Bill Athey 100, Richard Lum 67; Rodney Ontong 4-80) drew Glamorgan 322-9 decl. and 112-2 (John Hopkins 64 n.o.).

At Bristol: Worcestershire 222 and 184 (David Graveney 7-37) beat Gloucestershire 158 and 237 (Zaheer Abbas 91; Dilip Patel 4-19, Paul Pridgen 4-56).

## Abdul-Jabbar puts Lakers in sound position

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, May 15 (AP) — Kareem Abdul-Jabbar scored 26 points Friday night as the Los Angeles Lakers took command late in the first quarter and rolled to a 118-108 victory over the San Antonio Spurs in the National Basketball Association playoffs.

The triumph was the seventh straight playoff victory for the Lakers and gave them a 3-0 advantage over the Spurs in the best-of-seven Western Conference final. The two teams meet again here Saturday. Globetrotters show off

Meanwhile, it was learnt that the Harlem Globetrotters show at the Sun City pleasure resort in the "independent homeland" of Bophuthatswana, is definitely off, the resort's public relations officer said Friday.

The show, which was cancelled at the last moment, has apparently been subjected to pressure from certain political groups in the United States and from groups at the United Nations, the spokesman said.

Bophuthatswana is not recognised as an independent state by any other country in the world. The show, starring the world's renowned black basketball team was due to open on May 27.

## Samiullah to lead Pakistan in Dubai

KARACHI, Pakistan, May 15 (AP) — Two new players were added to the Pakistan field hockey team which will compete in two "Tests" against India in Dubai late this month and the fourth Champions Trophy at Amsterdam next month.

Air Marshal Nur Khan, president of the Pakistan Hockey Federation, announced the 16-member squad after a meeting of the selection committee Friday.

Full-back Amir Shafique and right-half Ayaz Mahmood have been included in the team replacing Naeir Naseer and Naeem Akhtar, who played in the inaugural Asia Cup held at Karachi in March. Samiullah has been chosen to lead the squad and his deputy will be Manzoor-ul-Hasan.

Pakistan and India will play the two "Test" series in Dubai on May 26 and 28, while Pakistan, Holland, India, West Germany, Australia and the Soviet Union will participate in the Champions Trophy, a single league tournament, to be held in Amsterdam in June.

The team: Goalkeepers: Moinuddin, Shahid Ali Khan; Full backs: Manzoor-ul-Hasan, Qasim Zia, Amir Shafique; Half backs: Rashid-ul-Hasan, Saeed Ahmed, Ishfaq, Ayaz Mahmood; Forwards: Samiullah, Manzoor Junior, Hasan Sardar, Hanif Khan, Kaleemullah, Saeed Khan and Salim Sherwani.

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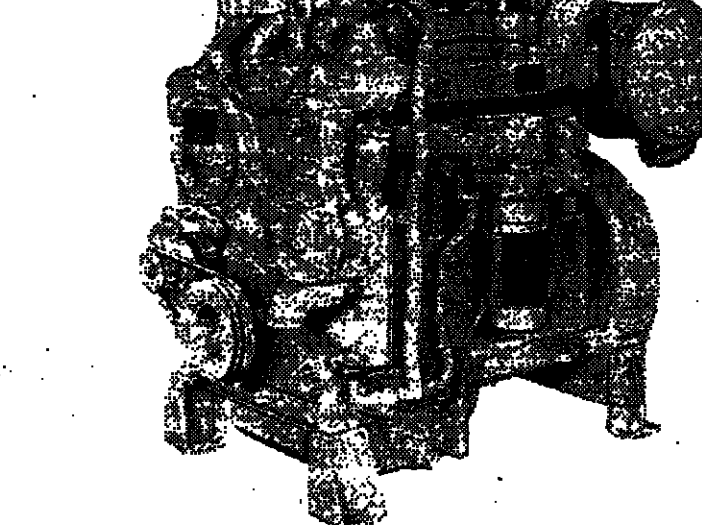


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## Celtics too make it 13th

# Liverpool wrests League title for 13th time

LONDON, May 15 (R) — Liverpool lifted the English League Soccer title for a record 13th time Saturday when they came from behind to beat F.A. Cup finalists Tottenham 3-1 before a capacity 50,000 Anfield crowd.

Ipswich, who have been snapping at Liverpool's heels for so long, saw their slim hopes of the championship disappear with an unexpected 3-1 home defeat by Nottingham Forest.

In Scotland, Celtic clinched their 13th Premier League title in 17 seasons by beating St. Mirren 3-0 at home.

Liverpool, who went into the match three points clear of Ipswich with two matches to play, were stunned when England midfielder Glenn Hoddle shot the Londoners ahead in

the 26th minute from 30 yards. Liverpool's relentless pressure counted for nothing as they went in at halftime 1-0 down. But it all came right early in the second half.

In the 52nd minute Mark Lawrenson headed home a Sammy Lee corner and three minutes later Scottish international Kenny Dalglish turned the Tottenham defence inside out to put his side 2-1 up. Ronnie Whelan put the icing on the cake with a third couple of minutes from the end.

Ipswich, who had to win Saturday to keep the title race bubbling, never recovered from conceding two goals in the opening quarter of an hour of the second half. Peter Davenport scored both and he condemned Ipswich to the runners-up spot for the second successive

season with a third goal in the 73rd minute. Ipswich's consolation goal came from Scottish international Alan Brazil.

While the title race was settled, the dogfight down at the foot of the table brought victories for six of the seven bottom clubs.

Wolverhampton are certain to play in the Second Division next season despite winning 2-1 against West Ham. But the tension will stretch into next week for the pack of clubs—Middlesbrough, Stoke, West Bromwich, Leeds and Sunderland — still in danger of making the drop with them.

Both Middlesbrough and Leeds staged stirring late comebacks to salvage victories. Leeds, 1-0 down to Brighton 10 minutes from the end, scored twice in a minute thro-

ugh Gary Hamson and Kevin Hird to scrape a 2-1 win. Middlesbrough left it even later away to Swansea, goals in the 84th and 89th minutes by Dutchman Heine Otto and Gary Stanly bringing them a 2-1 win.

Swansea will be kicking themselves, the defeat cause it could cost them the chance of competing in the UEFA Cup next season.

Arsenal leapfrogged above the Welsh club into fifth spot with a comprehensive 4-1 home win over Southampton, another club chasing a place in Europe next season. Two of Arsenal's goals came from Young midfielder Paul Davis, who had 10 stitches after last week's match against Middlesbrough.

Meanwhile Scotland manager Jack Stein Saturday gave a hint to his likely World Cup finals squad when he named 24 players for Scotland's upcoming British Championship matches against Wales and England.

The squad is: Goalkeepers: Alan Rough (Partick), Jim Leighton (Aberdeen), George Wood (Arsenal).

Defenders: George Burley (Ipswich), Frank Gray (Leeds), Danny McGrain (Celtic), Ray Stewart (West Ham), Allan Evans (Villa), Alan Hansen (Liverpool), Alex McLeish (Aberdeen), Willie Miller (Aberdeen), David Narey (Dundee United).

Midfield: Tommy Burns (Celtic), Asa Hartford (Man City), Graeme Souness (Liverpool), Gordon Strachan (Aberdeen), John Wark (Ipswich).

Forwards: Kenny Dalglish (Liverpool), Alan Brazil (Ipswich), Steve Archibald (Tottenham), Joe Jordan (Milan), Paul Sturrock (Dundee United), Davie Provan (Celtic), John Robertson (Forest).



Kenny Dalglish...puts Liverpool ahead.

## Standings

English Division One	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	41	26	8	7	80	32	86
Ipswich	41	25	5	11	73	52	80
Manchester United	42	22	12	8	59	29	78
Tottenham	41	20	11	10	66	46	71
Arsenal	42	20	11	11	48	37	71
Swansea	41	21	6	14	58	48	69
Southampton	42	19	9	14	72	67	66
Everton	42	17	13	12	56	50	64
West Ham	42	14	16	12	66	57	58
Manchester City	42	15	13	14	40	50	58
Nottingham Forest	42	15	12	15	42	48	57
Aston Villa	41	14	12	15	52	53	54
Brighton	42	13	13	16	43	52	52
Coventry	42	13	11	18	36	62	50
Notts County	42	13	8	21	61	69	47
Birmingham	42	10	14	18	53	61	44
Sunderland	42	10	14	18	38	58	44
Leeds	41	10	12	19	39	59	42
West Bromwich	40	10	11	19	44	54	41
Stoke	41	11	8	22	41	63	41
Wolverhampton	42	10	10	22	32	63	40
Middlesbrough	41	8	14	19	34	52	38

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West Ham	41	14	12	15	52	53	54
Wolverhampton	42	13	13	16	43	52	52
Blackburn Rovers	42	13	11	18	36	62	50
Crystal Palace	42	13	8	21	61	69	47
Derby	42	10	14	18	53	61	44
Grimsby	42	10	14	18	38	58	44
Leicester	41	10	12	19	39	59	42
Lincoln	40	10	11	19	44	54	41
Orion	41	11	8	22	41	63	41
Q.P. Rangers	42	10	10	22	32	63	40
Sheffield Wednesday	41	8	14	19	34	52	38
Wrexham							

## Jaeger defaults Amritraj topples Lendl

KOBE, Japan, May 15 (AP) — Top-seeded Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia was upset in men's singles play and Andrea Jaeger defaulted in the women's match of the \$200,000 Gunze World Tennis Tournament Saturday.

Lendl, who has won 15 of his 18 tournament finals so far, lost to India's top player, Vijay Amritraj 7-6, 3-6, 7-5 in the semifinals and 16-year-old American tennis prodigy Jaeger, trailing 2-3 in the first set to her seminal American opponent, Kathy Jordan, gave up her chances to win the first prize money of \$30,000 for the second straight year. She was sidelined because of back pains.

A Japanese doctor, who examined her, said she needs three-week rest and there is no need for her to be hospitalized.

The 28-year-old Amritraj will meet second-seeded Sandy Mayer of the United States in Sunday's final at the Kobe City Central Gymnasium in Western Japan. Jordan will take on top-seeded Tracy Austin in the women's singles final.

Austin, the reigning U.S. Open champion, defeated Pam Shriver 7-5, 3-6, 6-3 and Mayer downed American actor-tennis player Vince Van Patten 6-0, 7-6 in the semifinals earlier in the day. Mayer and Amritraj, who defeated Van Patten and Lendl in the doubles 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 in the first round Saturday, will meet Americans Brian Teacher and Mark Edmondson of Australia in Sunday's final.

Meanwhile, top-seed Chris Evert Lloyd, trailing 1-4 in the first set against Helena Sukova, turned on the pressure Friday, winning 11 of the next 12 games to advance to the semifinals of the Swiss Women's Open tournament with a 6-4, 6-1 victory in Uganda.

In another quarterfinal match in the

\$100,000 event, unseeded Yvonne Vermaak of South Africa upset Sylvia Hanika of West Germany 6-4, 6-4.

On Saturday, Chrill will meet Romania's Virginia Ruzici, who defeated Holland's Marcella Mesker 6-3, 6-1 in other quarterfinal play. While Vermaak's opponent will be Andrea Temesvari, the 16-year-old Hungarian who has been one of the surprises at the tournament. She beat Brazilian Patricia Medrado 4-6, 6-2, 6-0.

In Milan, Gretchen Rush won an all-American final in three thrilling sets to take the women's singles of the Italian Junior Tennis Championship here Saturday. Rush, 18, third-seeded in the seven-day competition on clay courts, downed Beth Herr 6-7, 7-6, 6-4 in three hours.



Vijay Amritraj...in line for double

## Bright knocks by Gavaskar, Parkar

BRADFORD, England, May 15 (AP) — The Indian tourists got off to a bright start against Yorkshire Saturday with Indian captain Sunil Gavaskar hitting an entertaining 79 before lunch in a total of 206 for two wickets as the Indians went on a run spree.

Gavaskar's opening partner Ghulam Parkar advanced to 90 not out as the Indians continued to punish the Yorkshire bowlers. The second wicket to fall was that of Ashok Malhotra, who was run out for a well made 22 when a Neil Harley throw from cover point found him standard. New batsman Gundappa Vishwanath was quickly off the mark with a four of Graham Stevenson.

Gavaskar's innings included nine fours and four sixes in 95 minutes before he was caught and bowled by Simon Dennis. Ghulam Parkar, who had batted patiently throughout the morning session, completed his own half century in the final over before lunch. He was partnered by Ashok Malhotra, who hit two

fine boundaries off Dennis shortly before the break. The tourists went in at 154 four one.

The tourists are still looking for their first win after being beaten by the Duchess of Norfolk's XI. After drawing their match with Warwickshire, the tourists managed to hold off a Nottinghamshire fightback Friday, for yet another draw.

In the match at Trent Bridge, the Indians slumped to 97 for the loss of six wickets in their second innings as they threw caution to the winds in a bid to pick up the rate.

The Indians had a first innings lead of 118 but let slip the chance of victory Friday morning by allowing the injury-hit English County champions to recover from 68 for one to 251 for four declared in its second innings.

Tim Robinson made 51 and former England batsman Derek Randall, who will get another chance of regaining his place in the England side when he plays against the tourists at Lord's in the tourists' next match, added another 51 as Nottinghamshire made short work of the Indian bowling. The Indian second innings then was a disaster for the touring team.

Captain Sunil Gavaskar was run out for 10 as the Indians chased 134 to win in 19 overs. Kevin Cooper took three for 38 as the Indians slid to 36 for four before recovering to avoid the possibility of an embarrassing defeat.

Gavaskar, Parkar, Patil and Yashpal Sharma all were out to reckless strokes, before Kapil Dev ended the possibility of defeat by making a spectacular 40 in 29 balls, including two sixes off Eddie Hemmings.

## In Derwall's World Cup squad 2 pairs of brothers among 40

BONN, May 15 (R) — West German team chief Jupp Derwall Friday named a provisional 40-strong squad for the World Soccer Cup finals in Spain next month.

The line-up includes two pairs of brothers — defenders Bernd and Karl-Heinz Foerster of Stuttgart and attackers Klaus and Thomas Allofs (Cologne and Fortuna Duesseldorf). All but 11 have already played for West Germany, who face Algeria, Austria and Chile in Group Two. The youngest are midfielder Ralf Falkenmayer (19) and forward Thoas Von Hesse (20).

Three players were dropped from the 40 from which the squad who beat Norway in Oslo two days ago was chosen — forwards Dieter Hoeness, Jurgen Milewski and Norbert Meir.

Goalkeepers: Dieter Burdinski, Bernd Franke, Elke Emmel, Harald Schumacher, Uli Stein.

Defence: Hans-Peter Briegel, Bernd Foerster, Karl-Heinz Foerster, Karl-Heinz Geils, Jurgen, Wilfried Hannes, Holger Hieronymus, Manfred Kaltz, Jonny Otten, Uli Stielike, Gerd Strack, Bernd Wehmeyer.

Midfield: Paul Breitner, Wolfgang Dremmler, Stefan Engels, Ralf Falkenmayer, Jimmy Hartwig, Felix Magath, Lothar Matthaus, Hans Mueller, Holger Willmer.

Forwards: Karl Aligewer, Klaus Allofs, Thomas Allofs, Ronald Borchers, Klaus Fischer, Thomas Von Heesen, Horst Hrubesch, Pierre Littbarski, Frank Mill, Kurt Pinkall, UWE Reinders, Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, Rudi Voller, Ronald Worm.

Italian squad  
There were no surprises in Italian manager Enzo Bearzot's squad which includes international striker Paolo Rossi and veteran goalkeeper Dino Zoff.

Goalkeepers: Dino Zoff (Juventus), Ivano Dordon (Inter), Giovanni Galli (Fiorentina),

Franco Tancredi (Roma), Luciano Castellini (Napoli).

Defence: Giuseppe Baresi (Inter), Giuseppe Bergomi (Inter), Franco Baresi (Milan), Fulvio Collovati (Milan), Mauro Tassotti (Milan), Renzo Contratto (Fiorentina), Pietro Vierchowod (Fiorentina), Antonio Cabrini (Juventus), Claudio Gentile (Juventus), Gattatnosciroa (Juventus), Luciano Marangon (Roma) Renato Zaccarelli (Torino).

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## Ferrari denies inviting Reutemann

MARANELLO, Italy, May 15 (AFP) — The Ferrari Formula One motor racing team Saturday denied it had invited Carlos Reutemann of Argentina to join the team to replace Carlos "El Chino" Villeneuve, who was killed last Saturday.

Reutemann, 40, who retired from the Williams team at the end of last season, but was tempted back by Frank Williams for a few races this year, announced Friday that he had been approached by Ferrari officials. An official statement issued by Ferrari here said: "no driver has been directly or indirectly contacted to drive our second car for the rest of the season."

Italian newspapers have also, however, associated the name of Reutemann's former teammate Alan Williams of Australia with the Ferrari vacancy.

Meanwhile, Jochen Mass hit back at accusations that he was to blame for last Saturday's accident at Zolder, in which Villeneuve was

## Giantkiller Damiani makes final

MUNICH, West Germany, May 15 (R) — Italy's super-heavyweight boxer Francesco Damiani followed up his shock defeat of Cuba's Teofilo Stevenson with an equally convincing win over Bulgaria's Petar Stoyanov in their semifinal bout at the World Amateur Championships Friday night.

The curly-haired, 23-year-old Italian again relied on the thunderous right-hand punch which was the basis of his unanimous points win against Stevenson Tuesday. Stoyanov, a 22-year-old southpaw, shook Damiani with a good combination early in the fight, but the Italian's strategy of moving in close and unleashing his right soon began to pay off.

Within 30 seconds of the second round Damiani floored Stoyanov with a tremendous right and from then on the Bulgarian was always retreating. The third round was also decisively Damiani's and the judges awarded him a second consecutive 5-0 decision.

In the second semifinal, American Tyrell Biggs had an untroubled 5-0 points win over West Germany's Peter Hussing. Hussing, not the quickest of movers, was unable to avoid Biggs' flashing left jabs and also took a number of right crosses to the head. In the third round Biggs landed three lefts within seconds and the 33-year-old West German southpaw could only stare and blink.

Two more Cubans qualified for the finals, in somewhat different fashions. Light-heavyweight Pablo Romero defeated the Soviet Union's Vladimir Shin on points, while Olympic light-middleweight champion Armado Martinez had a walkover victory over Bulgaria's Mihail Takov.

Meanwhile, Biggs will be relying heavily on his left to step out of reach of Damiani's right hand and if he does manage to keep his distance his superior all-round boxing skills could give him the edge, in the final Saturday.

The heavyweight final will be contested between the Soviet Union's Alexander Lagubkin and East Germany's Jurgen Fanothael — two fighters who do not know the meaning of retreat — and it promises to be an exciting curtain-raiser to the big fight Saturday with promising finals in the feather-weight, lightweight and welterweight divisions.

In the featherweight category Cuba's Olympic champion Amilfo Ortega comes up against Tongolung Raval Oigobay, who eliminated American Bernard Gray. Oigobay refused to be put off by Gray's classic left jab and this southpaw could disconcert even Horta.

The lightweight final will be a meeting of opposites between the Cuban Olympic champion, Angel Herrera and American Pernell Whitaker.

Mass was driving the March car which Villeneuve's Ferrari struck during trials for the Belgian Grand Prix.

Villeneuve was about to lap the West German driver and attempted to pass him on the right, but Mass, expecting him to pass on the left, also pulled right and the collision occurred. Mass told a Montreal newspaper that he was "very hurt" by the accusations, particularly those made by Austrian driver Niki Lauda.

It was easy for Lauda to comment, he said, but he had to forget the accident if he wanted to continue his career and it will be impossible if I have to take all the blame.

Lauda said Mass should have pulled right when Villeneuve came up behind him near a bend. But the West German said: "My first reflex was to pull to the right to let him take the bend normally. I slowed down and was in the middle of the track when I saw him in my left-hand mirror."

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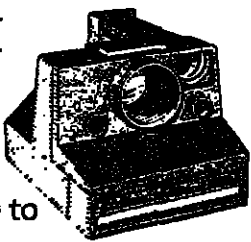
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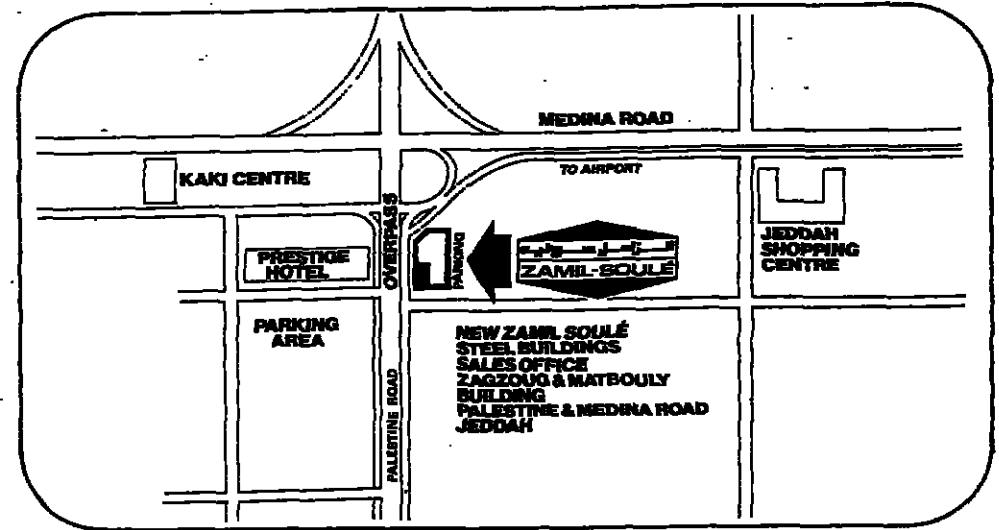
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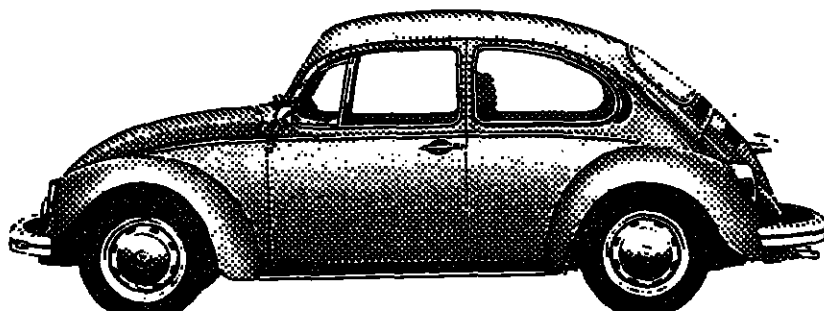
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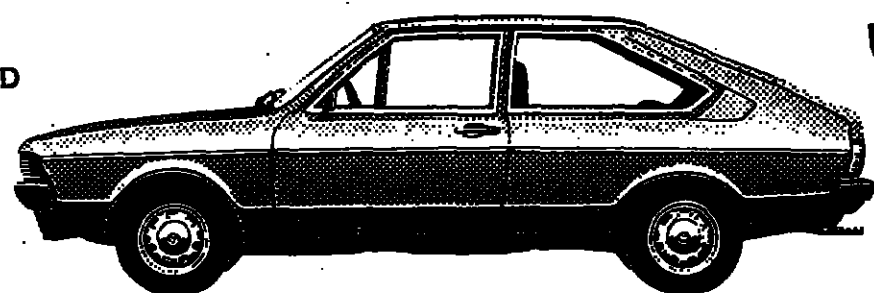
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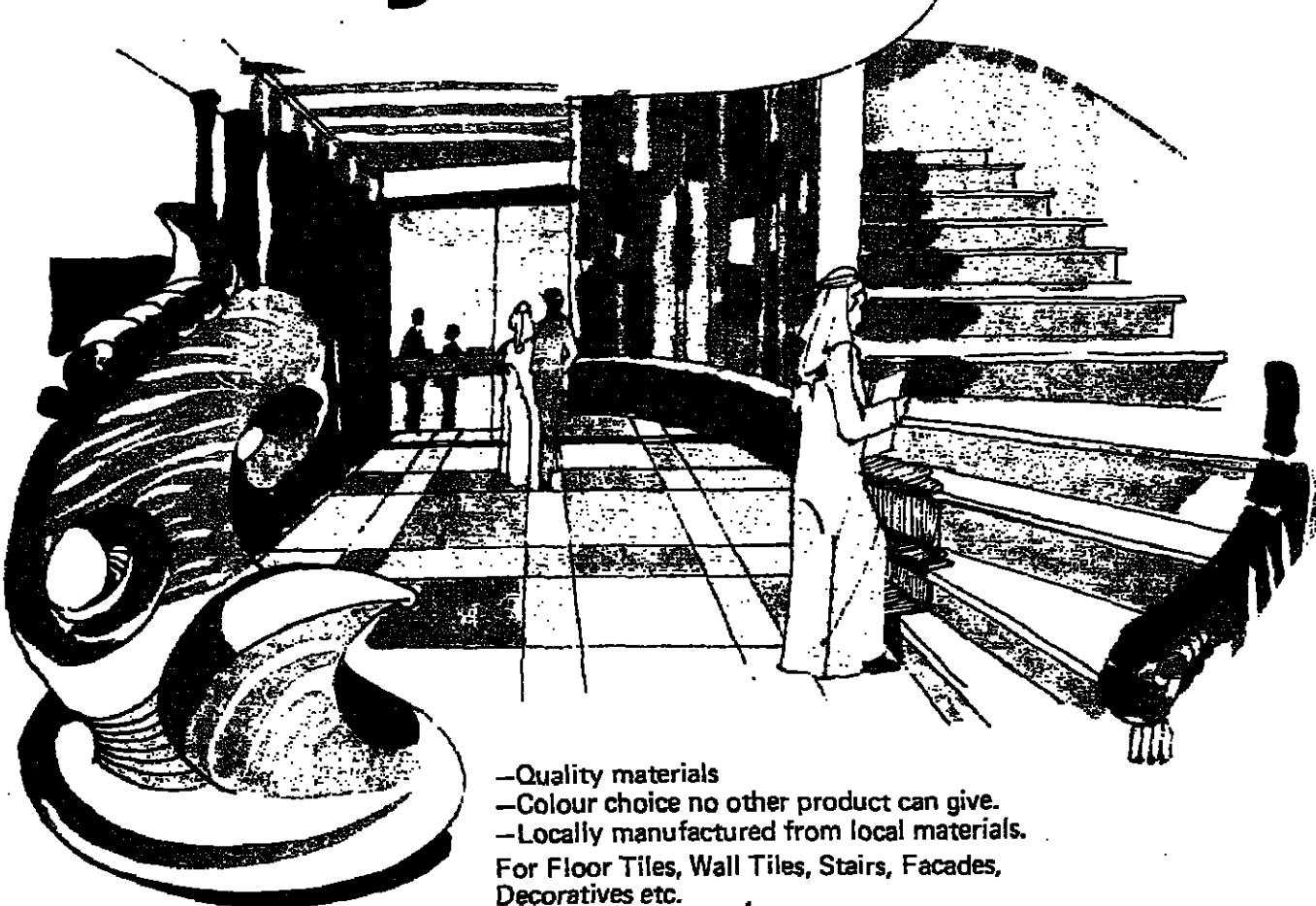
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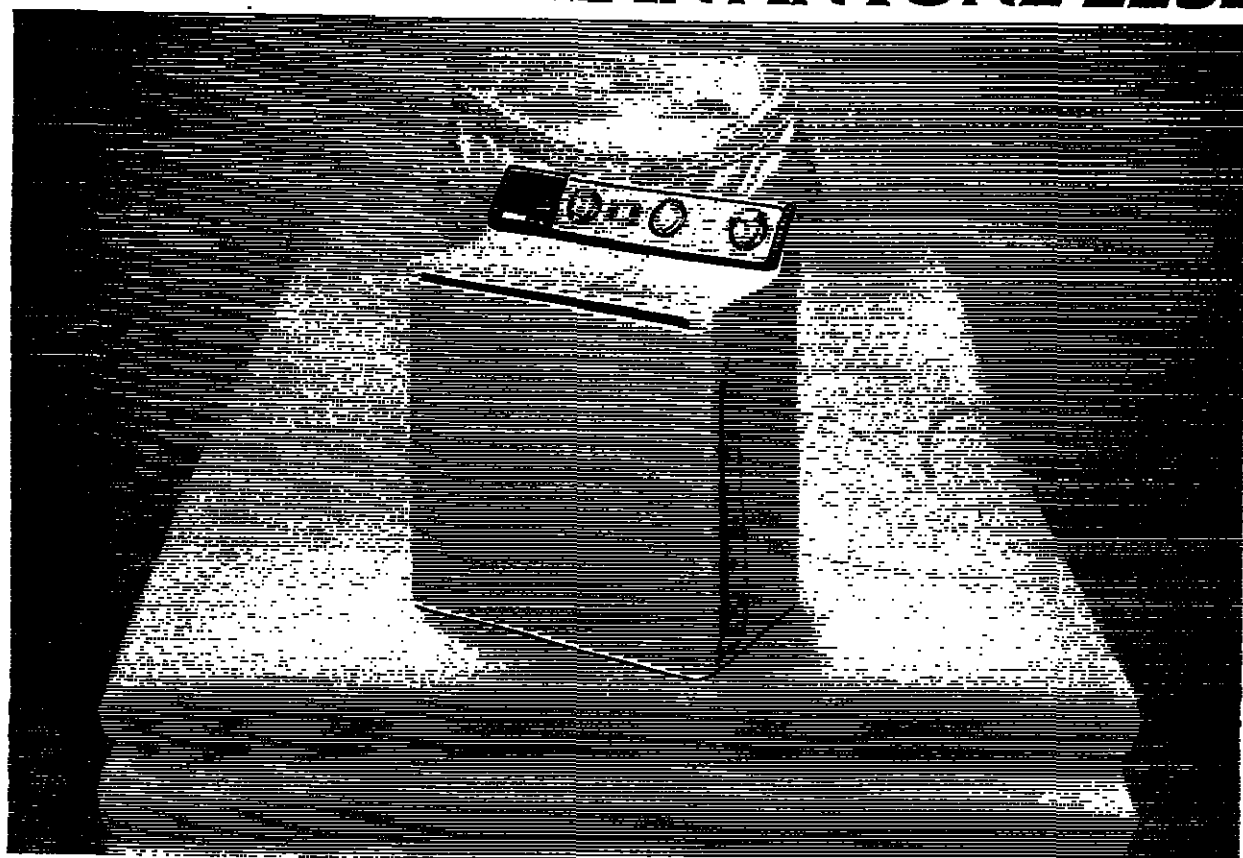


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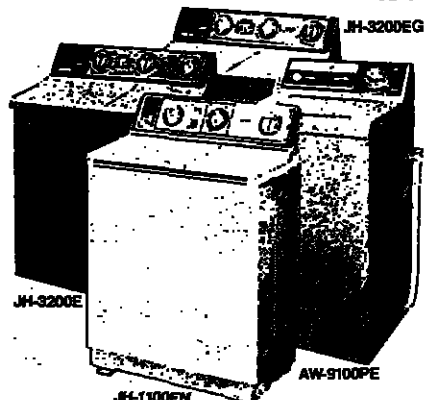
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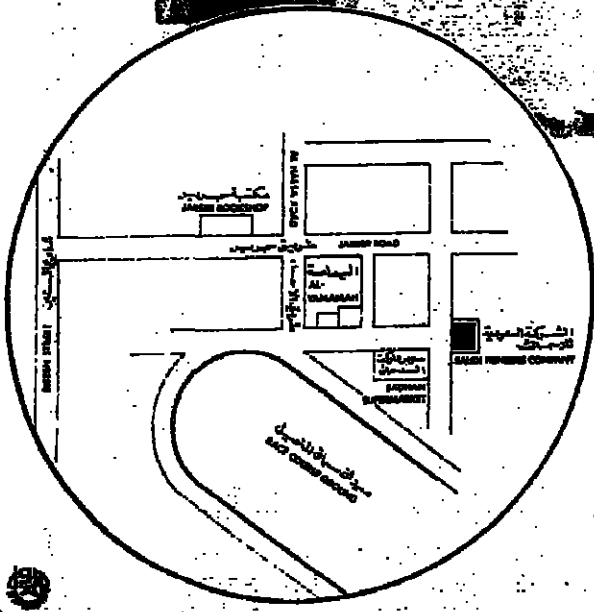


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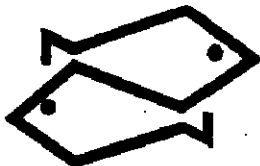
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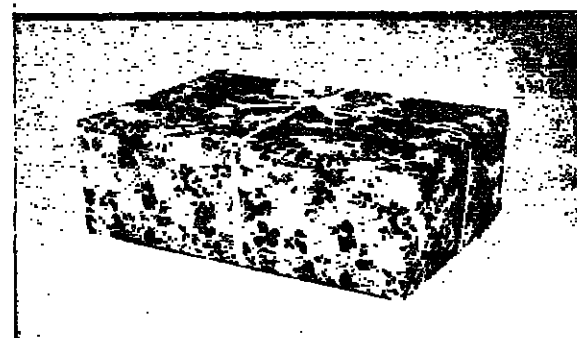
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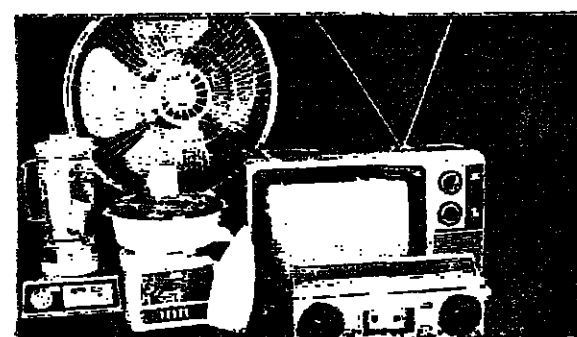
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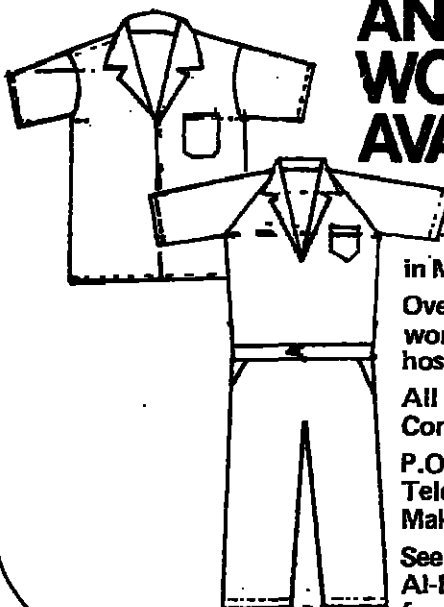
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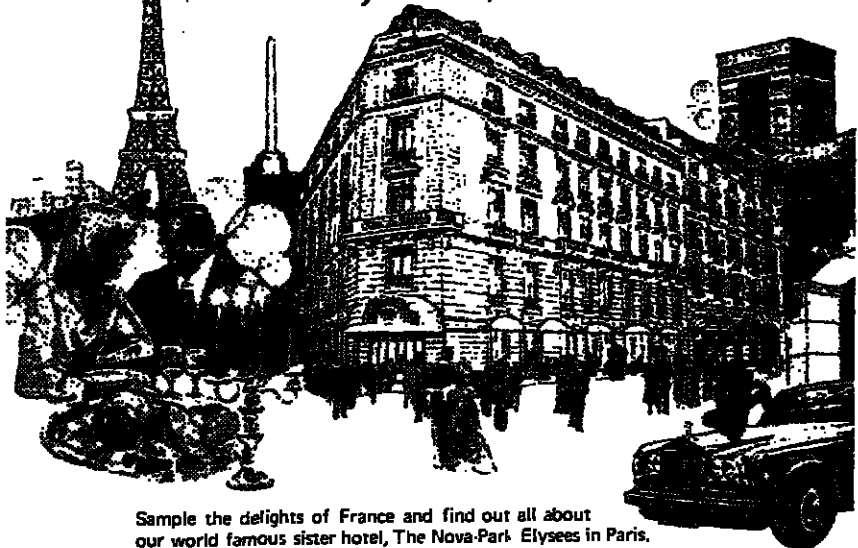
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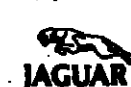
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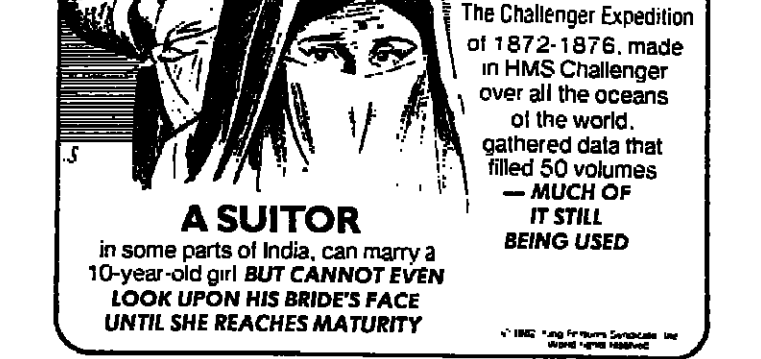
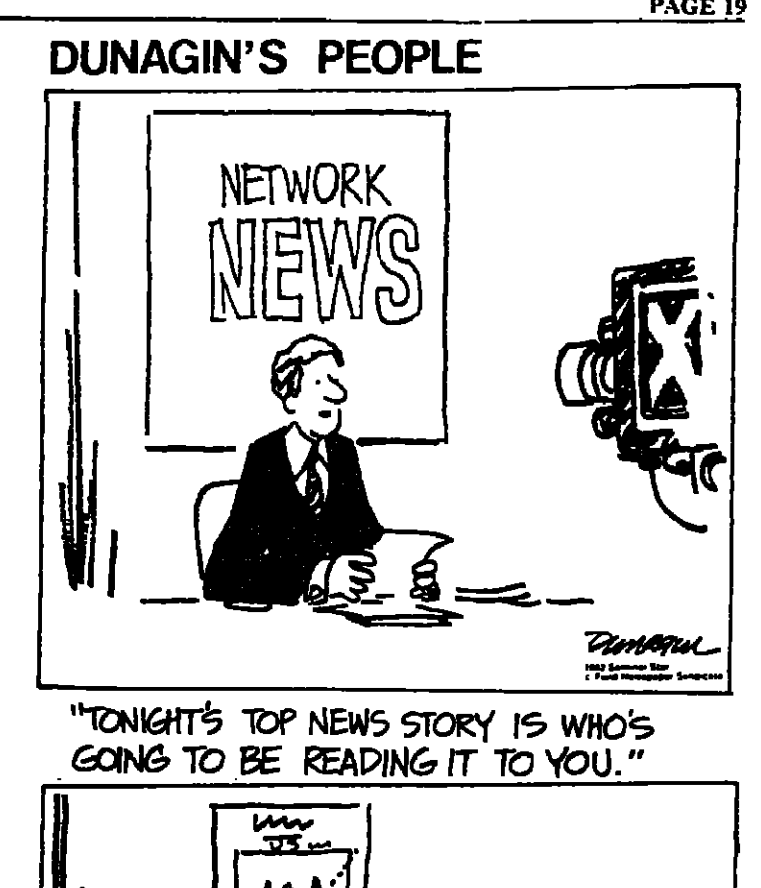
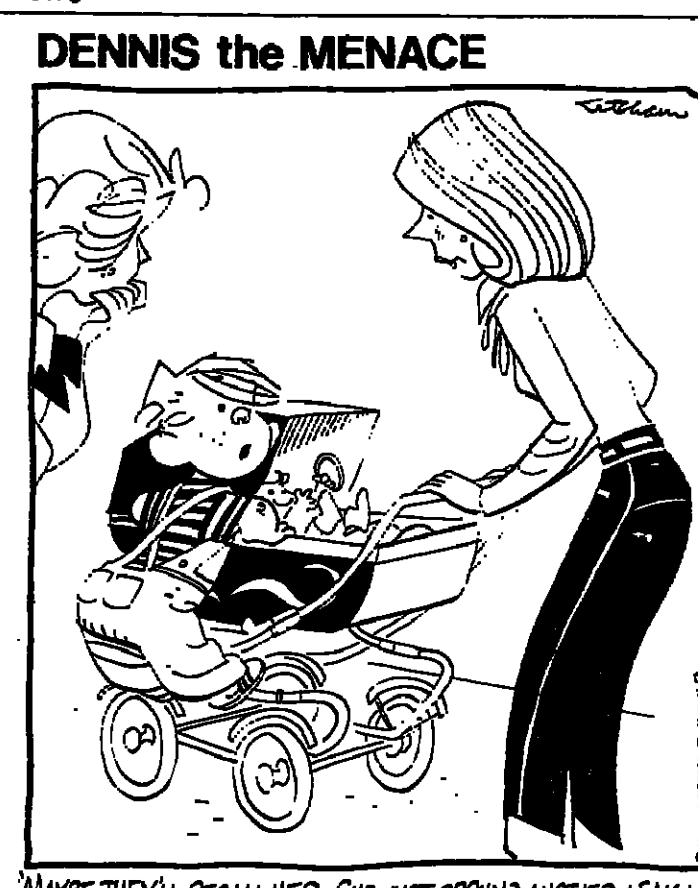
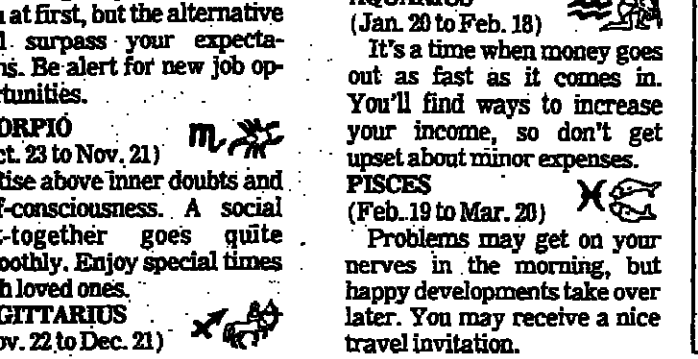
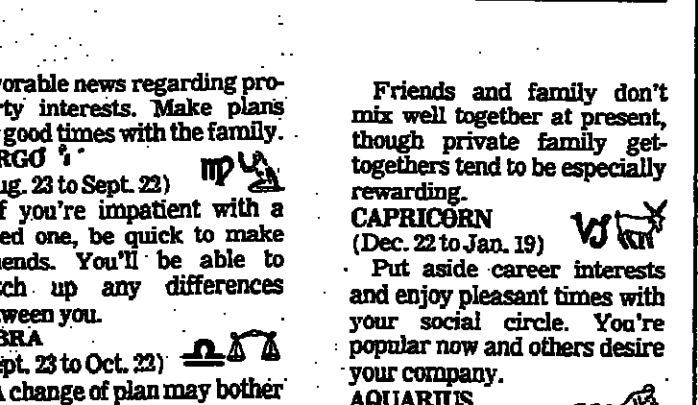
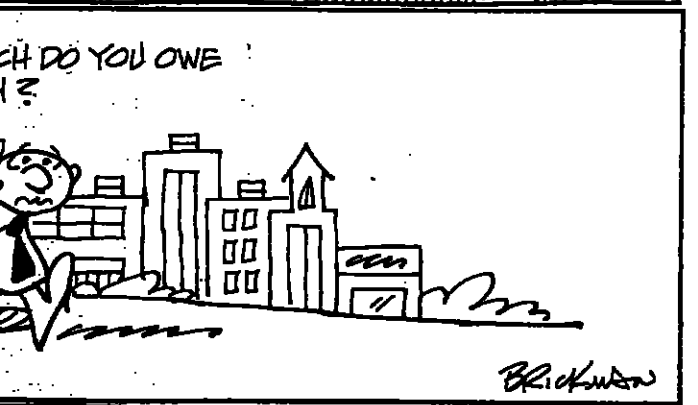
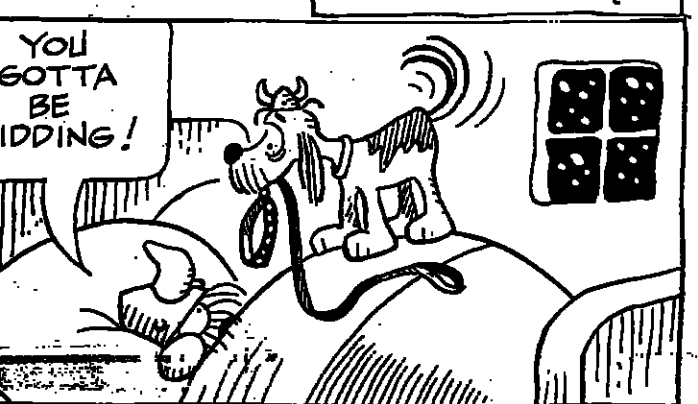
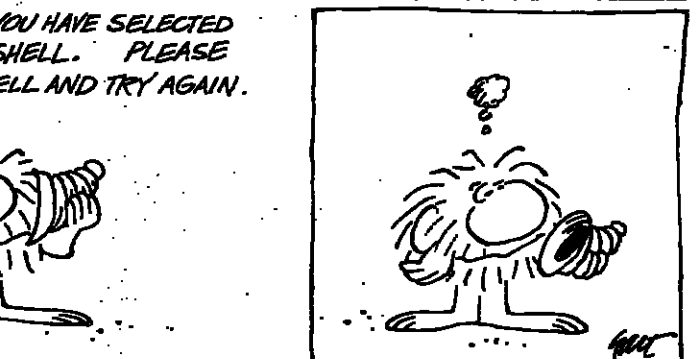
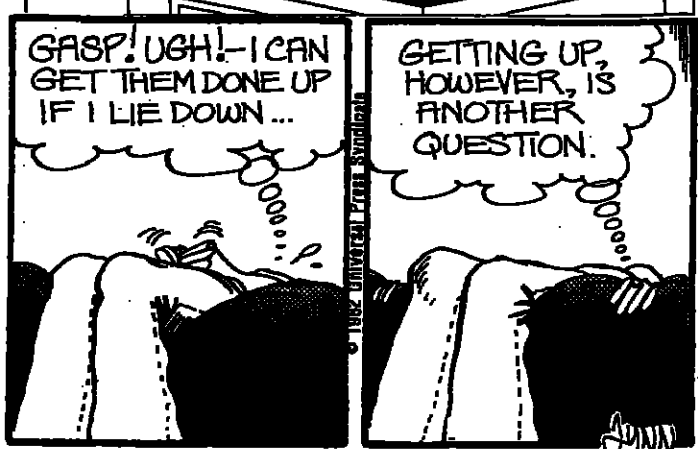
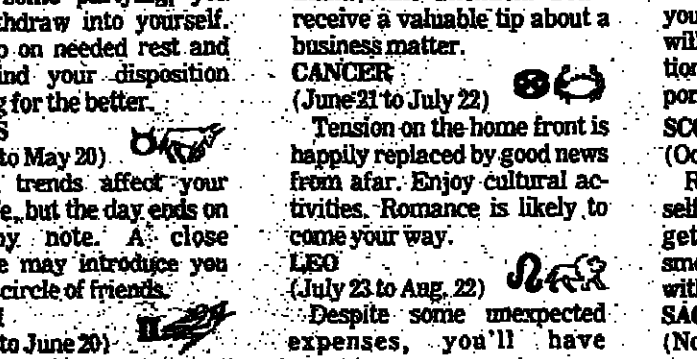
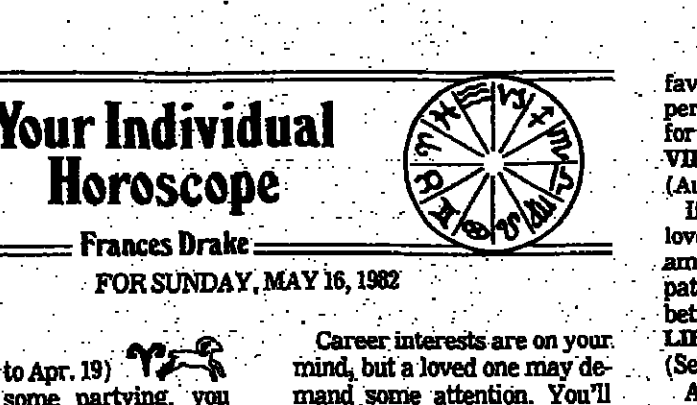
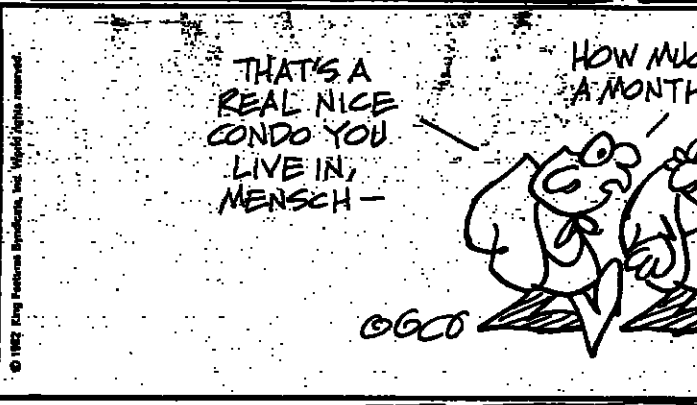
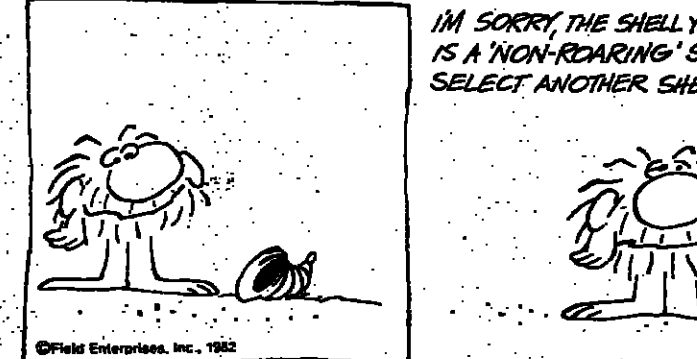
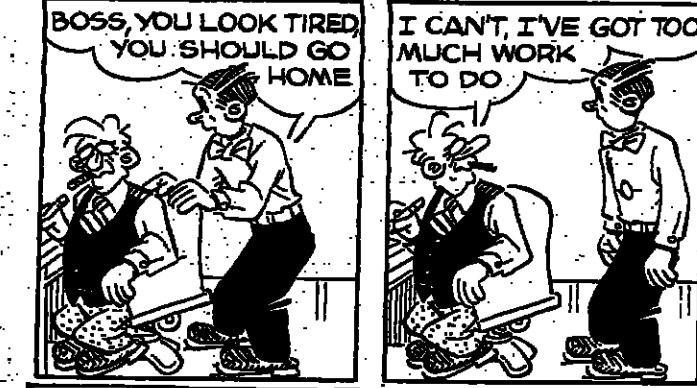
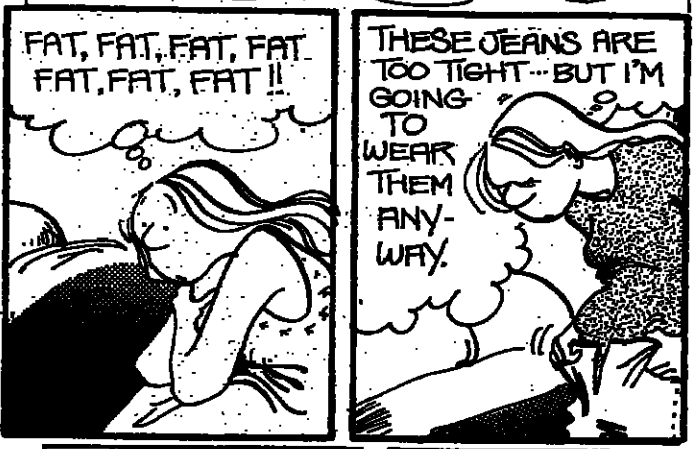
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9:30 Opening, Quran	4:00 Quran
10:00 Family Program	4:15 Religious Talk
10:30 Arabic Series	4:30 Cartoons
11:00 Family Meeting	5:00 Children's Series
11:30 Closedown	5:30 Cartoons
<b>Bahrain Channel 4</b>	6:00 Health Program
4:00 Quran	6:30 Family Papers
4:15 Religious Talk	7:30 Local News
4:30 Program Preview	8:00 The Quran Explained
4:45 Cartoons	9:00 Arabic Drama
5:00 Children's Series	10:00 World News
5:30 360 Degrees	10:30 Program Preview Songs
6:00 Health Program	<b>DUBAI Channel 33</b>
6:30 Pardon my Gossip	5:00 Holy Quran
7:00 Daily Arabic Series	5:15 Super Friends
8:00 Arabic News	6:00 Cities of Europe
8:30 Local Interview Program	6:30 Bedtime Story
9:30 Tomorrow's Programs	6:50 Little Liar
9:55 Daily Arabic Series	7:30 Harper Valley
10:25 Enemy at the Door	7:50 Local News
<b>Dhahran</b>	8:00 Quran
4:00 Children's Show	8:15 Islamic Horizons
4:15 Safety Meet Your	8:30 Bridgehead Revisited
4:40 Big League Soccer	10:00 World News
4:55 People Special!	10:30 Feature Film
5:00 Trouble with Mother	<b>QATAR</b>
5:30 Leave and Stay	6:00 Quran
5:55 Leave and Stay	6:15 Religious Talk
6:00 Underwater World/Sunken	6:30 Cartoons
6:30 Tombs of Truk	6:30 Educational Program
6:55 Love Lucy/The Ope-	7:30 Variety
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	9:00 News

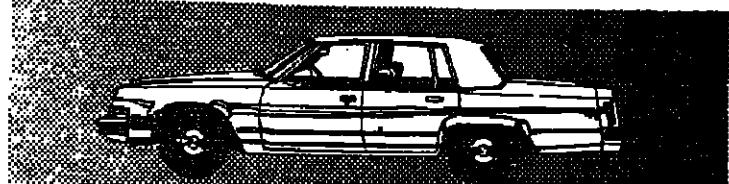
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2:20 Program Review	
2:30 GEMS of Guidance	
2:40 Light Music	
2:50 On Islam	
3:00 Pop Variety	
3:10 The News	
3:20 Press Review	
3:30 Light Music	
3:40 Leaps & Bounds	
3:50 Youth Welfare	
4:00 Light Music	
4:10 Variety	
4:20 Opening	
4:30 Holy Quran	
4:40 Program Review	
4:50 GEMS of Guidance	
5:00 Light Music	
5:10 The Evening Show	
5:20 Compagnies of the Prophet	
5:30 Arabic by Radio	
5:40 Dates to Remember	
5:50 The News	
6:00 S. Chronicle	
6:10 Sounds of the Eighties	
6:20 Music Machine	
6:30 A Small World	
6:40 Concert Choice	
6:50 A Rendezvous With Dreams	
7:00 Closedown	

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14:00 Holy Quran	
14:05 Summary	
14:10 Islamic Program	
14:15 Hit in Germany	
14:20 Economic Magazine	
14:25 Way of Islam	
14:30 News	
14:35 From the press	
14:40 Book Club	
14:45 Variety	
14:50 It's Your Life	
14:55 Program Summary	
15:00 Closedown	
<b>Evening Transmission</b>	
18:00 French Program	
18:05 English Features	
18:10 Holy Quran	
18:15 Summary	
18:20 Camp of the Prophet	
18:25 Call the Tune	
18:30 Focus	
18:35 The Quiz Game	
18:40 News	
18:45 Today's Diary	
18:50 Kingdom & The World	
18:55 Melody Time	
19:00 Artists & Their Art	
19:05 Variety	
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19:20 Holy Quran	
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International

### Over Falklands conflict

## Mitterrand, Schmidt pledge to back U.K.

HAMBURG, West Germany, May 15 (R) — French President Francois Mitterrand and West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt pledged continuing support for Britain Saturday in its conflict with Argentina over the Falkland Islands.

Speaking to newsmen after two days of private talks, they made clear they would back an extension of European Economic Community (EEC) sanctions against Buenos Aires when they expire Monday. "The community has no reason to deny Britain solidarity," Mitterrand said, adding that support was not conditional on Britain backing down in its disputes with its EEC partners over farm prices and a rebate in its community budget contribution.

Renewing calls for a ceasefire in the South Atlantic, Schmidt said: "We, like France, will stand at Britain's side in solidarity as long as this conflict continues." Schmidt however said Bonn had taken the sanctions with a heavy heart because it enjoyed good trade relations with Argentina and other Latin American countries. "We would not like to lose these permanently," he said.

Both leaders urged strict observance of United Nations resolution 502, which calls for an Argentine withdrawal from the islands and a diplomatic settlement. Mitterrand said it was somewhat obscure who was entitled to sovereignty over the territory. Both made it clear they were reluctant to mar relations with Latin America.

In a passage apparently meant to correct remarks Friday by his external relations minister, Claude Cheysson, he said France did not link support over the Falklands to British good behavior in the EEC, just as it rejected Britain's linkage of the farm prices and bud-

get issues. Schmidt also criticized London for blocking the implementation of new agricultural prices.

Noting the deadline for a new price agreement was next Monday, he said: "We cannot see any connection between this and financial aid to Britain. There is no such connection in the (EEC's founding) treaties of Rome."

Neither leader said whether they would support introducing the price rises without Britain, but officials said intense behind-the-scenes moves were under way to pressure British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher to soften her stance by Monday. Mitterrand said France was against making any concession to British beyond the offer of an \$800 million rebate for this year which London has already spurned as inadequate.

Mitterrand said that although these pressing topical issues had dominated their two-day private meeting, they had also discussed East-West disarmament and the world economic outlook.

Enlarging on remarks he made in a lecture Friday night, which departed significantly from NATO policy, Mitterrand said the Soviet Union could not be expected to scrap all its SS-20 medium-range nuclear missiles in return for canceling Western plans to put new U.S. atomic arms in Europe next year.

The West could expect "the removal of some if not the disappearance of all SS-20s" if it halted its own rearmament, he said. U.S.-Soviet Geneva talks on nuclear disarmament in Europe should also look at reducing the range and destructive power of existing weapons systems, he said. He stressed France would not allow its own nuclear deterrent force to be included in U.S.-Soviet arms control talks.

### To resolve coalition crisis

## Dutch appoint mediator

THE HAGUE, May 15 (R) — An official mediator appointed by Queen Beatrix Saturday started trying to piece together a working Dutch government following the breakup of the country's three-party coalition.

Piet Steenkamp, a professor of law and former chairman of the Christian Democrats (CDA), the senior party in the old coalition, was named as mediator by the queen Friday night. She made the appointment after talks with all the political parties Steenkamp was told to resolve the government crisis as quickly as possible but given no other detailed instructions, according to an official announcement. This gives him a free hand in trying to set up a workable coalition.

Among the options he will certainly pursue is trying to stitch back together the old center-left coalition of CDA, Labor and Democrats 66 (D-66), politicians said. Labor resigned from the coalition Wednesday over its opposition to a program of spending cuts approved by the other two parties. But it is unlikely Steenkamp will succeed in rebuilding this old alliance because of the personal animosities and policy differences lying be-

hind the breakup, they added.

The most probable solution is a minority government of the CDA and D-66, politicians believe. This government would be expected to get tacit support from the right-wing Liberal Party (VVD), now in opposition, and would carry out most of the program of spending cuts already sought by the CDA and D-66, who say they are urgently needed to curb a large government financing deficit.

A third possibility is a formal coalition between Liberals, CDA and D-66, but so far D-66 spokesman have ruled this out. Whatever the outcome, fresh elections are generally expected to be held in the autumn. Steenkamp's talks with the parties will be held in private during the weekend, and he is expected to disclose some results Monday.

The use of a mediator to form a coalition is normal practice in the Netherlands, whose proportional representation electoral system has prevented any party in modern Dutch history from achieving an overall parliamentary majority. The coalition which broke up this week was put together in four months of negotiations after elections in May last year.

## Soviet move expected on arms cut

TOKYO, May 15 (AFP) — A Soviet propaganda chief said here Saturday Moscow would soon make a "concrete and realistic" proposal on strategic arms limitation and reduction in preparation for a summit between the United States and the Soviet Union.

E.M. Tyazhelnikov, director of the propaganda section of the Soviet Communist Party's central committee, also told the Japanese Kyodo news agency that U.S. President Ronald Reagan's recent proposal for a phased reduction in American and Soviet nuclear weapons was a ploy to maintain the U.S. military edge over the Soviet Union. President Reagan made the proposal "under the pressure of world opinion to talk with the Soviet Union on the issue," he told Kyodo and poured scorn on Reagan's "peace-loving words."

However, he said, the Soviet Union was serious about reaching a rational agreement with the United States on strategic arms reduction, referring to Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev's proposal for a Soviet-U.S. summit in Helsinki or Geneva this October. Tyazhelnikov termed the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (SALT II) agreement signed in June 1979 "balanced," suggesting that the new proposal would be based on the old plan.

## Study finds U.S. able to retaliate

WASHINGTON, May 15 (AP) — The United States could mount a comprehensive attack on the Soviet Union even if it lost all of its intercontinental missiles in a pre-emptive Soviet strike, a study said Saturday.

The report, prepared by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, said the United States' "bomber and submarine forces would remain capable of executing the assured destruction mission many times over, and indeed of carrying out a comprehensive attack on the full range of Soviet military targets."

"There is no doubt that the United States will retain the capability to perform the assured destruction mission for the foreseeable future," it said. It also said that taking into account bombers and submarine-based missiles, the U.S. strategic force is "not now vulnerable" overall.

But the study also said the vulnerability of U.S. missiles to Soviet attack does threaten to erode the credibility of U.S. defenses and increases the dangers of war. No matter how much it prepares itself, the United States can never be entirely satisfied that its defenses aren't vulnerable to enemy attack, says one author of the report.

"There are not any quick fixes or solutions... Vulnerability will always remain a problem because of technological advances" by the enemy, said Joseph S. Nye Jr., a professor at Harvard University and co-chairman of the Carnegie panel that prepared the report. But he added it is a problem "that can be managed."

The report said there are vulnerabilities in both the U.S. and Soviet defense systems, which make "any U.S.-Soviet crisis potentially far more dangerous" because one side could be swayed into striking the other first if it feared its own defenses could be wiped out by the other before it had a chance to react.

"The major vulnerability of U.S. strategic forces" is the survivability and endurance for the nation's 1,000 Minuteman intercontinental ballistic missiles, said the study, one of several being produced by the panel on security issues.

## Cambodian groups 'fail' to set up anti-Viet front

BANGKOK, May 15 (AFP) — Efforts to form a tripartite anti-Vietnamese coalition of Cambodian resistance groups have failed, Thai Foreign Minister Sitti Sawetasilas said Saturday on his return from Peking.

"There is very little hope that the three parties will be meeting in Kuala Lumpur to discuss the formation of an anti-Vietnamese coalition of resistance factions," he said at Bangkok's Don Muang airport. He added, however, that further steps would be considered when the foreign ministers of the non-Communist Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), meet in Singapore next month.

Since September last year, ASEAN — which links Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia and the Philippines — has been pressing for the formation of an alliance between the Chinese-backed Khmer Rouge government and the two anti-Communist Cambodian resistance factions respectively led by former head of state Prince Norodom Sihanouk and ex-Premier Son Sann, head of the Khmer Peoples' National Liberation Front.

Sitti began talks with Chinese leaders in Peking last Sunday in a last-ditch effort to urge China to persuade the Khmer Rouge government, which is still recognized at the United Nations, to join the proposed coalition. He said at the airport that there was too much suspicion and bitterness between the factions for them to unite in an anti-Vietnamese front.

The official Vietnamese News Agency (VNA) quoted the Communist daily *Nhan Dan* as saying that the discussions this week in Peking between the Thai foreign minister and Chinese officials showed that the differences "in bringing about a merger of Khmer rebels were not easy to remove."

## China-Portugal army ties sought

PEKING, May 15 (AFP) — Communist China's army chief of staff, Gen. Yang Dezhi, has advocated the development of cooperation between the Chinese and Portuguese armies, stressing the countries' "common strategic interests."

Speaking at a banquet Friday for visiting Portuguese Army chief of staff, Gen. Melo Egídio, Gen. Yang also spoke out fiercely against "intensified aggression and expansion by hegemonists," the New China News Agency reported Saturday.

"Hegemonists" is an expression which in China generally means the Soviet Union, but now sometimes also refers to the United States since the Sino-American dispute over U.S. arms sales to the Nationalist China (Taiwan). The banquet marked the start of Gen. Egídio's official 10-day visit to China, the first by a Portuguese Army chief of staff.

Gen. Egídio, who visited Peking in 1980 while governor of Macao held talks Saturday with Chinese Defense Minister Leng Biao. He will have talks with Premier Zhao Ziyang, Portuguese sources said.

"To develop friendship and cooperation between our armed forces is in accordance with the interest of our people and helps safeguard peace and security in the world," Gen. Yang said at Friday's banquet.

At four-million strong, the Chinese Army is the largest in the world numerically, but it is seriously under-equipped. "Although China and Portugal have different social systems, they have a lot in common. To oppose hegemonism and safeguard world peace is where our common strategic interests lie," Gen. Yang said.

In his reply, Gen. Egídio attributed the tension in the world to the superpowers, NCNA said.

## Spacemen begin work on Salyut

MOSCOW, May 15 (AFP) — Soviet cosmonauts Anatoly Berezovoy and Valentin Lebedev got down to work Saturday on the orbital *Salyut-7* space station, which linked up Friday with their *Soyuz T-5* space ship, Tass news agency reported. The two cosmonauts were launched Thursday, while the space lab was put into orbit on April 19 to take over from a similar station which had outrun its useful life.

Soviet radio said that Lt. Col. Berezovoy and flight engineer Lebedev spent their first day in the lab activating equipment of the space train, but that their schedule was light as they were still adapting to weightlessness.

Tass said that French cosmonaut Jean-Loup Chretien, due to join the team in the space train with two more Soviets, Vladimir Janibekov and Alexander Ivanchenko, in the last week of June, watched the launch on Thursday. A French reserve cosmonaut, Patrick Baudry, was also present with his two team mates.

## Polish arrests continue

WARSAW, May 15 (AP) — In the last fortnight, the Polish authorities have arrested three times as many people as they freed from detention camps late April in a move publicized, at that time as a first step toward easing off martial law. Western observers said here Saturday. On Thursday alone, according to a television report here a total of 636 persons were arrested and 43 interned.

## Good Morning

By Jihad Al-Khazen

There are mistakes and mistakes. Or, there are mistakes and veritable lull. I start with my humble self, who sat down one fine June morning in 1967 and gave matters a deep thought, weighed the pros and cons and came to the conclusion that we were certain to win the war which had just started.

Years later, it was that same powerful intellect which brought itself to bear on the question of whether there will be a civil war in Lebanon. This was a question asked by a Western acquaintance of mine, who wanted, as he put it, "to avail himself of my expertise."

I pondered the question for a while, then came the considered answer: "A civil war? Here in Lebanon? Are you kidding?"

The poor fellow then went on to ask me where, in the event of trouble, would be the safest place in Beirut. A moment's thought and I came out with it: "The hotels area around Zeitouna..."

I haven't heard from the fellow since, and I often wake up at night wondering if he had taken my advice and arranged his affairs in such a way that he moved into that area just as it was attacked by all sides at once.


But such howlers as these do not add up to much. It's the howlers of great men that are indelibly preserved by history. Of these was a view expressed in the late thirties by Churchill, to the effect that nuclear weapons could not be much stronger than conventional ones, and that it would make little difference if nuclear energy was harnessed for military use.

Then there was Napoleon who called the idea of a steam ship "utter nonsense," and the great inventor Edison himself who felt that the idea of electrical wiring would not catch on, so dangerous it was to life and limb everywhere.

Translated from Ashraf Al-Awad

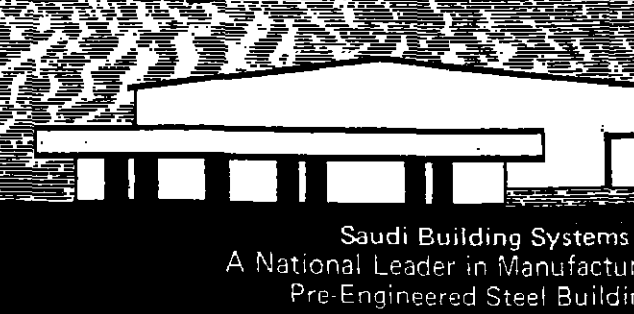
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Helsinki	5 41	9 48	cloudy			
Hong Kong	21 70	26 79	clear			
Jakarta	22 72	31 88	clear			
Kuala Lumpur	23 73	33 91	rain			
London	11 52	24 75	clear			
Los Angeles	14 56	22 72	cloudy			
Madrid	12 54	28 82	clear			
Manila	23 73	36 97	clear			
Mexico City	not available					
Miami	23 73	26 79	cloudy			
Mombasa	6 43	19 64	clear			
Moscow	3 37	9 48	cloudy			
New Delhi	16 60	29 84	cloudy			
New York	13 55	23 74	clear			
Nicosia	21 70	31 88	clear			
Oso	7 45	19 66	clear			
Paris	13 55	27 81	clear			
Rio de Janeiro	17 63	32 90	clear			
Rome	12 54	24 75	clear			
San Francisco	9 49	16 62	clear			
Seoul	11 52	21 70	clear			
Singapore	23 73	30 86	rain			
Stockholm	8 46	15 59	cloudy			
Sydney	10 50	21 69	clear			
Taipei	22 72	29 79	cloudy			
Tokyo	12 54	20 68	cloudy			
Toronto	18 64	20 68	clear			
Vancouver	10 50	12 54	clear			
Vienna	10 50	19 66	clear			



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